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Integration plan obtains approval of school board

By PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —

The junior high school of Associated Hebrew Schools will integrate with the North York Board of Education in January, 1977, if the Minister of Education approves proposals passed unanimously by the North York Board at its meeting Monday night.

Such a merger, involving approximately 400 students in grades seven, eight and nine in a two-year pilot project, represents a breakthrough sought by both sides during almost two years of negotiations.

"The students won't notice any changes when integration takes place," according to Arthur Tennenbaum, Associated's executive administrator and a member of the negotiating committee. But their parents will: their tuition bills for the entire course of studies, including religious education, will stop.

The terms of implementation are spelled out in a letter which North York trustees have agreed to send to Education Minister Thomas Wells. Among its provisions is the stipulation that "all students be required to take religious studies; that no fees be charged for these classes; and that these studies be identified as a distinct, separate addition to the regular academic program." An amendment passed during the meeting specified that "the financial costs be borne out of the general funds raised for education by the United Jewish Welfare Fund." According to Ben Schneider, executive vice-president of the UJWF and the only member of the Jewish negotiating team from outside Associated, the details of funding are still being worked out.

Under the proposed agreement, present academic instruction will be maintained, but a 40-minute period of Hebrew language and literature will be included in the secular portion of the curriculum, which will be funded and controlled by the North York Board. The remainder of the Hebrew studies curriculum will be considered as religious studies and will remain outside North York's jurisdiction and support.

Schneider and Shainhouse, president of Associated Hebrew Schools, were delighted by the board's decision. Both attributed the success of the lengthy negotiations to, in Shainhouse's words, "the complete co-operation and understanding" on the part of North York trustees and staff.

North York Board Chairman Mel Shipman pointed out that two key issues had to be resolved: the size of the project, and acceptance of the principle that "we do not charge for admission to a public school system."

The first problem was solved by deciding to restrict the experiment to the junior high — a readily identifiable group, holding classes in only one location under a principal with Ontario certification. As Shipman explained, "through its limited character, it will have much more attention and more chance of success."

The second issue was dealt with by the agreement not to charge fees for any portion of the program, but to rely on the Jewish community to support religious studies. Thus religious instruction could be made compulsory without also making a fee compulsory for attendance at what will become a public school.

Mandatory religious instruction was one of the conditions insisted upon by Associated, even though it seemed to conflict with the position taken by the minister in May, 1975, when he wrote to the North York Board that "a student cannot be required to take part in religious studies."

Wells, who according to sources close to the negotiations took an active part in the talks during recent months, was away on vacation and could not be reached, but in a telephone interview with The Canadian Jewish News, Lauri Maki, regional director of education, was cautious as to whether the issue has in fact been completely resolved.

"We'd have to look at part of the proposal (mandatory religious education) very carefully," he said. He also expressed concern over the inclusion of a "third language" (i.e. Hebrew — French is designated as the "second" language in Ontario schools) in grades seven and eight. Grade nine Hebrew already has ministry approval, but no "third" language course has been approved below that level.

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6.6% boost is sought by AJCS

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

The president of Allied Jewish Community Services, Joe Ain, says that an additional $1,211,000 is "urgently" needed for the community's local and national services.

It will be remembered that the 1975 Combined Jewish Appeal, although it yielded an increase in revenue over the previous year's campaign, was insufficient to meet inflationary costs and the growing demand for services. All 22 constituent agencies of AJCS were therefore forced to accept the same, or less, funds as in 1974.

Ain believes the 6.6% increase objective for the 1976 campaign is required in four main areas: services to the aged, family services, education and the betterment of relations with the government and the French community.

For the elderly, extra money is needed in the areas of home care programs ($100,000), care for the chronically ill through additional beds at Attendicare ($150,000), Golden Age camping ($56,000), expansion of present centre services ($20,000), expansion of Group Foster Home program ($25,000), community transportation program ($20,000), home help and repair services for the aged ($20,000), and a delay centre for discharged psychiatric patients ($30,000). This is a total of $421,000.

Expanded family services needed would cost an additional $75,000, with $50,000 required for a day care centre for working mothers and $25,000 for more homemakers to serve both the elderly and children.

Additional support of Jewish day schools ($150,000), afternoon schools ($30,000) and post-secondary education ($26,000) would take the bulk of the extra $218,000 required for Jewish education. The Jewish Public Library, library technicians for the Chomedey library and the children's library need $5,000 more and the Jewish Public Library's study and reference room for Jewish studies program, $7,000.

The Le Fait Francais program requires $25,000. This project, aimed at expanding services to francophone Jews, involves the translation of documentation into French, French lessons for the AJCS staff and the development of a greater understanding between French-Canadians and Jewish people.

A record 3,400 marchers in the annual March to Jerusalem held this year in May, collected $146,000 which was submitted to the United Israel Appeal recently by march chairman, Shirley Rabinovitch.

This is part of the greatest security ever seen at any event in Toronto, according to long-time observers. Toronto police ring the playing field at Varsity Stadium towards the end of the Israel–Guatemala Olympic soccer game. The two teams played to a 0–0 draw. (El-Baz photo)

Soccer game draws 10,000 at Varsity

'Tightest security ever'

By JANICE ARNOLD and LEWIS LEVENDEL
Associate Editor

Security arrangements for the Montreal Olympics are $100 times better" than those provided at Munich in 1972.

"It's like going from zero to 100%," said Shmuel Lalkin, head of the Israeli Olympic delegation. "We are very satisfied. Security is very good. Montreal has done a great job, not only for the Israelis, but all delegations."

Lalkin, who also headed the Israeli delegations to Mexico City in 1968 and Munich in 1972, barely had time to escape through a window during the hostage drama in Munich. Israel sent 36 athletes and 14 officials to Montreal, its largest delegation ever. Twenty-seven of the 50 were at the Munich Games.

Despite praise for the 16,000-member security network, Lalkin said it was true that Israel had wanted to bring its own security personnel as well. "Sure we wanted to, but we weren't allowed; why wouldn't we want to?"

The Israelis were impressed with the ceremony organized by the Montreal Jewish community, but were nonetheless disappointed that no memorial was permitted at the Olympic site. The International Olympic Committee even vetoed a proposal to lower the Israeli flag to half-mast when the Israeli team entered the stadium at the opening ceremonies.

Meanwhile, Israel's soccer team came to Toronto Monday to play Guatemala at Varsity Stadium under the tightest security ever seen in the city. A crowd of 10,000, mostly supporting the Israeli side, turned out for the match, which ended in an exciting scoreless tie.

The Bloor Street stadium seating 20,000 was surrounded by more than 10 yellow police care, security people on nearby rooftops with binoculars, ambulances, Emergency Task Force and artillery vans, police wagons and a mounted patrol squad. Inside Varsity were hundreds of police at every entrance and around the playing field. A number of plainclothes police stood behind the Israeli team bench and two sat in the pressbox.

At least half the estimated Israeli population of 10,000 in Toronto seemed to be in the audience. The Jewish squad received terrific crowd support throughout the contest. About five full-size Israeli flags were held aloft compared to two Guatemalan ones.

Outside the stadium prior to the game, Pioneer Women were selling raffle tickets while Lubavitch were attracting people to its van.

Members of the Marxist-oriented North American Labor Party were handing out leaflets claiming the Rockefeller family and U.S. Attorney-General Edward Levi planned a "replay" of the Munich massacre for the Montreal Olympics.

As for the game, Israel had at least six clear-cut opportunities for a goal, but they had bad luck and bad shooting. It was a rough game with Israeli coach David Shani claiming six of his squad had suffered "hard injuries."

The game was televised live back to Israel. A number of Israeli journalists covering the game expressed disappointment with the result.

Following the game, coach Shani told The Canadian Jewish News he was not surprised by the amount of fan support the team received. "We know there are many Jewish and Israeli people living here," he said. He also remarked he was "very gratified" with the security.

"If we had any luck today, we would have scored two goals," scowled the burly coach. "We had enough chances."

Israel's team, like other squads in the Olympics, is an all-star group. Five of the nation's top players, however, were ineligible to participate because they are or had played professional soccer.

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UN vindicates Israel: Herzog

UNITED NATIONS [JTA] —

Israeli diplomats at the United Nations said the failure of the Security Council to condemn Israel for its rescue operation in Uganda is a "victory" for Israel and a vindication of the operation that saved the lives of more than 100 hostages held at gunpoint by pro-Palestinian terrorists at Entebbe Airport.

Israel's ambassador to the United Nations, Chaim Herzog, in a statement after the adjournment of the Council said: "The Security Council was convened in order to condemn Israel. Israel has not been condemned and has been thereby vindicated."

Noting that the debate centred around the problem of hijacking and international terrorism, the Israeli envoy said: "Little wonder, therefore, that most of the Arab states and the PLO were too embarrassed to take part in the debate." Herzog added that the failure of the council to adopt a British-American resolution against international terrorism "revealed once again what decent freedom-loving people can expect from the UN..."

The four-day angry debate at the Council ended with a stalemate after the African states withdrew their resolution that called for the condemnation of Israel for violating Uganda's sovereignty, and a rival British-American resolution condemning hijacking and international terrorism received only six votes, three short of the number necessary for adoption.

The Africans withdrew their proposed resolution — jointly sponsored by Libya, Tanzania and Benin — after it became clear that the one-sided resolution would not receive the minimum nine affirmative votes needed for adoption. In addition, had the resolution received the required votes, it would certainly have been vetoed by the U.S.

Voting for the British-American resolution, which called on the Council to condemn hijacking and urged all government to "prevent and punish all such terrorist acts," were Britain, the United States, France, Italy, Sweden and Japan. Romania and Panama abstained. China, Guyana, Libya, Pakistan, Tanzania, Benin and the Soviet Union did not take part in the vote.

During the stormy debate the United States vigorously defended and hailed the Israeli rescue operation in Uganda and described it as "one of the most remarkable rescue mission in history, a combination of guts and brains that has seldom if ever been surpassed."

Widows of four Israeli victims of Munich are greeted in Montreal by Israel Ambassador to Canada Mordechai Shalev and his wife, (third from left) on their arrival in Canada. From left, they are Ilana Romana, Anke Spitzer, Mechal Shahal and Sara Schorr. They took part in memorial service in Montreal. (Religious News Service Photograph)

Amended act may aid Israel

OTTAWA –

Toronto MP Robert Kaplan (L, York Centre) has prepared an amendment to the Canadian and British Insurance Act which, if passed, might greatly benefit the Israeli economy.

Kaplan, parliamentary secretary to Health Minister Marc Lalonde, said that under the present act, Canadian insurance companies are permitted to buy the securities of a number of selected countries, particularly those in the Commonwealth.

The amendment he has put forward would add Israel to the list of nations whose securities may be purchased by Canadian insurance firms.

Kaplan said Canadian companies will then theoretically be able to purchase hundreds of millions of dollars worth of Israel Bonds. Noted Kaplan, "Israel Bonds would be a good investment for insurance companies."

Parliament has recessed for the summer holiday, so Kaplan says it will be at least several months before the amendment can be considered by the House of Commons.

CJN's ad on Mexico is criticized

MONTREAL —

The director of the Mexican National Tourist Council in Canada has chastized The Canadian Jewish News for printing a full-page advertisement, purchased by 15 travel agents, which protested his country's vote at Habitat.

Guillermo Ponce, in an interview with Canadian Travel News, said the ad was "doing a disservice to the community by not giving both sides of the story." (Contacted by The CJN this week, to elaborate on his statement, he failed to answer repeated telephone calls.)

Mexico was one of 89 countries which supported the final declaration of principles at the Vancouver conference — a declaration which contained one key paragraph referring to the UN resolution equating Zionism with racism.

The June 25 advertisement in The Canadian Jewish News urged customers to "think twice" before planning trips to Mexico. "Remember Habitat! They did it to us again," it read in part.

Ponce told the Southam trade magazine that his country's vote at Habitat will in no way influence the tourism industry. "I have not seen any connection between the resolution (the Habitat vote) and tourism. The policy of the government has not changed since the last time (the UN vote)," he is quoted as saying.

The "last time", following the November vote, some 25,000 bookings for rooms from North American tourists were cancelled in the wake of an unofficial boycott. Hotels and resorts were reported to have lost millions of dollars in revenue.

(In its most recent attack on Israel, the Mexican ambassador to the United Nations, in a letter to the Security Council, called the Entebbe rescue raid a flagrant violation of the UN charter).

Referring to the latest advertisement in The CJN, the tourist director remarked that Mexico's Habitat vote drew no reaction from Montreal travel agents or tour operators.

However, the July 8 edition of The Suburban, a weekly paper serving Montreal suburbanites, printed the entire ad as a public service, at no cost to the original purchasers.

Murdered Israeli hostage was 'tower of strength'

LONDON [JTA] —

During her captivity at Entebbe Airport, Mrs. Dora Bloch was a tower of strength to her fellow passengers, according to an English woman, whose name was not given. She paid tribute to Mrs. Bloch, whose body later was found in a forest a short distance from Kampala.

The passenger had recognized Mrs. Bloch from newspaper photographs as the elderly lady she had first seen walking with difficulty in the aircraft after it had been hijacked by terrorists while enroute from Athens to Paris. She had first spoken to her the day after the landing at Entebbe, in the ladies room in the air terminal. "I was rather upset and she comforted me."

To passengers who were frightened, she would say that she had seen many troubles during her lifetime, and assured them they would survive the present ordeal. Mrs. Bloch had said that if the women were released ahead of the men, she would stay behind rather than be separated from her son. At that stage, the passenger had not realized that Mrs. Bloch was an Israeli. She had not suspected, either, that she was British. Mrs. Bloch had told her that she spoke many languages.

The passenger also paid tribute to the behavior of the Jewish and Israeli passengers after they had been separated from the non-Jews. "Though in far more danger than us, they showed the most incredible dignity, and showed concern for us. We, for our part, tried to make ourselves scarce. But the Jewish passengers who had been taken to the other side continued to pray openly and to demand kosher food.

"When told we would be leaving I felt guilty. On the bus we felt as though we were abandoning them and I could not look at them."

Holiday Notice

The Canadian Jewish News offices will be closed on the Civic Holiday, Monday, Aug. 2. Therefore, for the Aug. 6 edition, the display advertising and editorial deadline will be Thursday, July 29 at 2 p.m. Classified ad deadline will be July 29 at 5 p.m.

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Jimmy Carter's Jewish aides explain stand on Soviet Jewry

NEW YORK [JTA] —

The issue of Soviet Jewry, which some consider to be the weakest plank in the platform adopted by the Democratic National Convention, is expected to get more specific attention during the upcoming election campaign.

Only hours before Jimmy Carter won the Democratic nomination for the presidency in a first ballot victory July 14, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency was told that one of his top aides met with members of the New York delegation to the convention and representatives of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry in an attempt at reassure them on the former Georgia governor's stand.

This reassurance was seen as strengthened when Carter announced the selection of Sen. Walter F. Mondale of Minnesota as his running mate. The new Democratic vice-presidential candidate is a supporter of the Jackson-Vanik amendment and during a visit to the Soviet Union in November, 1974, he visited the homes of several Jewish activists.

Stuart Eizenstat, an Atlanta, Ga. Jew and Carter's issues director, who met with the group concerned with Soviet Jewry, told them that Carter accepts the Democratic Party's platform. The platform mentions Soviet Jewry only by implication but one source said that everyone understands that it means that the Democrats support the struggle for Soviet Jews to be allowed to emigrate.

Eizenstat read a statement made by Carter in May in which the Georgian said: "I would keep the right of Soviet Jews to emigrate to other countries as one of the pre-eminent considerations in all of my negotiations with the Soviet Union. In my private discussions, in trade negotiations and in other relationships we would discuss mutual advantages between their country and our country." Carter said one of the advantages he would seek is the emigration of Jews from the USSR. Carter, in public statements, has said he prefers quiet diplomacy in seeking emigration for Soviet Jews.

But one source said that while Carter wants to carry out personal diplomacy, it does not mean he would be unwilling to use pressure such as the Jackson-Vanik Amendment if he felt it was necessary. Many of the participants at the meeting were reportedly convinced although they are expected to seek more public assurances.

Meanwhile, in an interview with the JTA, David Berg, deputy director of the Carter campaign's Jewish community co-ordination or the "Jewish desk" at the Atlanta campaign headquarters, said that "Jimmy Carter is so sound on the issues that concern us (American Jews) that I have no fear in answering" the question, "Will he be good for the Jews? He will be good for America."

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Although Israelis are heavily taxed, their standard of living is improving

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

REHOVOT —

The shelves of Israeli shops were half empty last week at the culmination of the most feverish buying spree in the country's history. It was set off by the government's decision to impose an 8% value added tax on July 1, thus bringing Israeli taxation policies into line with those of its major trading partner, the European Common Market.

Nechemia Meyers

This rush to purchase everything in sight, and the fact that over 200,000 Israelis will be going abroad this year, contrasts very strongly with the moans and groans that one encounters when discussing everyday economics with the citizens of this country.

They always tell you how little they earn and how savagely they are taxed. Yet they somehow survive and, wonder of wonders, also improve their standard of living.

Even during the last two years, when unemployment elsewhere in the Western world ranged between four and 10%, here it was non-existent. As a result, Israeli-Arab families — whose per capita income averages about 9% less than that of Israeli-Jewish families — live better than the Greeks and the Italians, not to speak of their fellow Arabs in neighboring Egypt and Syria.

Over the years the average Israeli acquired his own apartment and a full range of household appliances. For example, just over 34% of Israeli families owned refrigerators in 1958; today 96% do.

Cars are not yet as common as in the most prosperous countries, but more and more people are buying them. Fourteen years ago, in 1962, only 4.1% of Israeli families had private automobiles. Now the figure is up to nearly 30%.

All other indices show the same trend, though, of course, some sections of the population have moved ahead much more quickly than others. Salaried Israelis — with take-home pay of perhaps $300 or $400 a month — are not living it up as are business and professional people who make several times as much and are more adept at tax evasion.

This continuing individual prosperity, which seems unaffected by the terrible economic problems facing the nation as an entity, has brought forth endless sermons from national leaders about the need to work harder and live more austerely.

Prime Minister Rabin, for example, recently took Israeli teachers to task for their incessant pay demands and their refusal to work longer hours, adding that teachers of 20 or 30 years ago were much more dedicated.

This evoked a tart reply from Knesset Member Abraham Katz, himself a high school teacher, who said that while Rabin longed for the teachers of an earlier era, there were many citizens who longed for the prime ministers of an earlier era.

Rabin has even been criticized because of the big society wedding he gave for his son some months ago. This was hardly appropriate, his critics carped, at a time when he was extolling the virtues of a modest lifestyle.

With or without reference to the prime minister, Israelis are still managing to live well, still buying everything in sight. However, with ever rising defense costs and an astronomical foreign debt, the spree must soon come to an end.

Appeals raise $2 billion

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

The United Jewish Appeal in the United States and the United Israel Appeal in more than 60 other countries raised together some $2 billion over the past five years — more than double the sum raised during the preceding five years.

Jewish Agency Treasurer Leon Dulzin made this point in his address to the Jewish Agency Assembly to explain why he looked to the future "quite optimistically." His hope, he said, was that the coming five years could bring another doubling in the funds for Israel raised by these two principal fund-raising agencies.

"You may ask," said Dulzin, "in the light of our present situation — our present financial difficulties — how do we dare look with optimism at the three to five years to come?... The answer is right here in this Assembly... You have given us the right to dare..."

Dulzin submitted to the Assembly an annual budget of $502 million for the present year. It has already been approved by the board of governors.

The sum is less than last year's budget proposal and Dulzin said it was the absolute minimum conceivable. After predicted UJA, UIA and loaned income, he would still be $65 million short, he said.

The largest item — $88.4 million — is for aliyah and absorption. Dulzin said it was based on an estimate of 35,000 olim — substantially more than actually arrived in Israel last year (about 20,000 during last year). But he said this was not over-optimistic. "Our experience shows that we have to be ready at any moment to receive sudden large numbers of immigrants."

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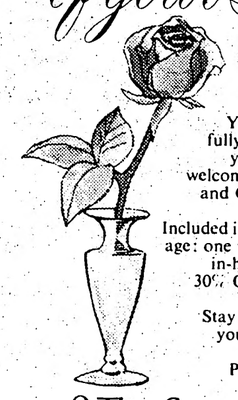

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Anti-Semitic cartoons worry Jews

By CHAIM LAZDEISKI

MEXICO CITY [JTA] —

The Mexican Jewish community is highly concerned over a series of anti-Semitic cartoons appearing in the popular weekly magazine, Los Agachados.

The magazine, written in an easy-to-read style and aimed at the "man in the street," is a favorite in Mexico and among Mexicans living in the United States.

The concern of the Jewish community is especially acute because the kind of anti-Semitic poison contained in these cartoons is reaching hundreds of thousands of Mexicans in cities like Los Angeles, Chicago, San Antonio, San Francisco, and New York.

These extremist anti-Semitic views, along with anti-American views, are not only reaching the people in Mexico and Mexicans in the U.S. but also readers of the magazine in the rest of Latin America where it is widely distributed.

Los Agachados has devoted several issues to promoting strident anti-Semitism by using such material as the infamous Protocols of the Elders of Zion, the anti-Semitic views of Henry Ford and articles by Mexican anti-Semitic journalists and writers. The magazine is published by Editorial Posada S.A. and the cartoons are drawn by a group led by Rius, a pseudonym.

The magazine has received unstinted praise from the old and new left, and Third World supporters here for providing the general public with "anti-imperialist" views. Los Agachados, which means the poor or needy masses, is edited by Guillermo Mendizabal Lizalde.

Lately, Editorial Posada S.A. has introduced another bi-weekly magazine called Los Penitents (The Penitents) which carries the same type of anti-Semitic material as Los Agachados.

The latest issue produced in cartoon form several sentences from the Protocols accusing Jews of combining in a "world conspiracy" against "gentiles".

Zionism was also condemned as racism as in last year's United Nations General Assembly resolution and readers were given the impression that discrimination against "racist Jews" was justified.

There was also an indirect attack against Mexican officials who were accused of being "Masons" and of helping Jews to "dominate the world." This magazine, too, is being distributed abroad.

The Jewish community has been unable to take any action because Mexican law provides freedom of the press and "free expression" to all citizens, including anti-Semites. The Jewish community said that the government does not understand its concern.

One Jewish delegation was told, "Do the same thing and publish magazines and pamphlets against your enemies. We are living in a free country."

Dr. Kott dies at 78

TEL AVIV —

Dr. Joseph Kott, president of Magen David Adom in Israel (MDA) which is the equivalent of world-wide Red Cross societies, died in Tel Aviv last week. He was 78.

Dr. Kott served as chairman of the Magen David Adom executive committee for more than two decades and was appointed national president of MDA in 1973.

Dr. Joseph Kott was born in Lithuania in 1898 and received his medical training in Russia and Germany. He emigrated to Palestine in 1925.

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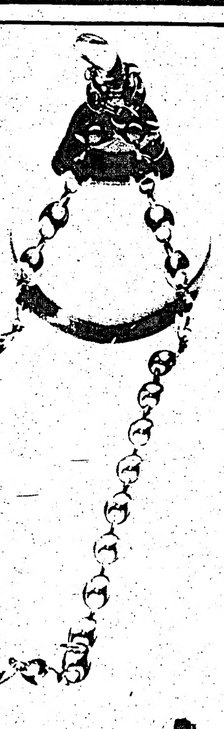

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Education a priority

Report urges budget revisions

By MOURA WOLPERT
Hamilton Correspondent

HAMILTON —
A community survey, undertaken by the American Association for Jewish Education, urges the Hamilton Jewish Federation to revamp its budget allocations in order to meet the increasing needs of its schools.

The report, part of a total community study, recommends an "across the board subsidy of 30% of each school's budget," with an additional 45% raised by schools through tuition fees and 25% from other sources.

"The report has been accepted," says Samuel Soifer, HJF executive director, "and the council will meet during the summer to begin implementation."

In order to raise more money for educational needs, the survey suggests three alternatives:

(a) change the current ratio of monies kept for local needs and monies sent out of the community;

(b) revise the ratio of current allocations for local needs to increase the education budget;

(c) find new monies to increase the total raised by HJF.

If none of these proposals is adopted, "the inevitable conclusion is a freeze of allocations to the educational needs which, in essence, means a reduction to education as the purchasing power of the dollar declines."

At the same time the report commends Hamilton for being fortunate in that few communities of comparable size "have three schools offering meaningful choice to the members of the community, each of which is a sound educational enterprise."

The study was commissioned by the HJF as one of the conditions of a truce agreed upon at last January's stormy annual general meeting, when the allocation of funds for education threatened to cause a major row in the community.

Last year approximately 30% of all funds allocated to local needs was spent on education, with 53.9% of that total going to the Hamilton Hebrew Academy, the day school, 26.1% to the Beth Jacob Hebrew school and 20% to the Temple Anshe Sholom school. Roughly similar proportions were adopted as an interim arrangement for the period Jan. 1 to June 30, 1976.

The report was prepared by Dr. George Pollak, director of the department of community studies of the A.J.E., who served as consultant to the survey team. Members of the team were Dr. Jay Braverman, an expert on day schools, and Morris Soren, specialist in the school structures of the Reform movement, with Dr. Morton Siegel, educational director of United Synagogues of America, serving as head of the team.

In Hamilton, Drs. Jack J. Shekter and Nahum Spinner served as chairman and assistant chairman respectively of the Council on Education, which worked with the team. Others on the council include representatives of the three schools, the rabbis and members of federation administration.

Other recommendations contained in the report include suggestions for scholarships for children of Soviet immigrants, scholarships for attendance at Jewish camps, some form of inter-school co-operation, refresher courses for teachers and, most important of all, continued education beyond the elementary level. Recommendations to individual schools are included in part two of Dr. Pollak's report.

Now the second phase of the community study is under way, with Earl Yaillen, community consultant of the National Jewish Welfare Board, meeting with members of the community to discuss all aspects of the Jewish Community Centre.

CZF Central Region selects new faces to vice-presidencies

TORONTO —
Although Max Shecter and Lewis J.E. Moses were re-elected to the posts of president and chairman of the board, respectively, the new executive of the Canadian Zionist Federation, Central Region, features eight new vice-presidents.

Previously, there were five vice-presidents. The new ones are Norman Auslander, Max Goody, Miles Halberstadt, Ruth Leroy, Esther Matlow, Louis Shainhouse, Dr. Sydney L. Wax and David Zlot.

All other officers are new to their posts. They are: Ben Burston, secretary; Maurice Berg, associate secretary; David Smith, financial secretary; Harry Magder, treasurer; Morris Mlotek, associate treasurer; Mark Albert, aliyah chairman; Penny Bowman, youth chairman and Helen Smolack, Keren Hatarbut.

Honorary vice-presidents of the CZF Central Region are Saul Sigler, Harry Weinstock and Dr. Mark Zimmerman.

CHEQUE FOR ISRAEL

Bill Orfankos (left), owner of the Grecian Room and Tavern in Toronto, presents cheque for $2,000 to Israel Consul-General Shmuel Ovnat. Money will be used for soldiers' rehabilitation in Israel. The night-club owner turned over an entire evening's proceeds. Entertaining at club was Yaffa Yarkoni who is one of the longtime singing favorites in Israel. She sang at the club for two weeks. (Jacob El-Baz photo)

Lalonde, MDs discuss Shtern, Soviet activist

OTTAWA —
Representatives of Concerned Doctors for Mikhail Shtern and the Canadian Committee of Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry met in Ottawa with Health Minister Marc Lalonde last week.

The meeting was arranged by Robert Kaplan, (York Centre,) who is parliamentary secretary to Lalonde. Kaplan has a particular interest in the case of Shtern, having "adopted" him in the Adopt-a-Prisoner program developed by the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry.

In attendance were: Dr. Al Green, North York Branson Hospital; lawyer Gerald Gringorten, Dr. Howard Langer, University of Toronto; Dr. Allan Pollard, Mt. Sinai Hospital; Dr. Sam Silverberg, Etobicoke General Hospital; and Ruth Rayman, Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry.

The doctors read an appeal on behalf of Shtern addressed to Mr. Lalonde requesting that he, through the offices of the Canadian government:

— seek a pardon for Shtern on humanitarian grounds.

— request from the Soviet government that Shtern be relieved from hard labor, because of poor health, until such time as he is freed from prison. "We are willing to pay any outstanding court costs incurred by Shtern in order to obtain such relief for him," said the committee representatives.

— to obtain for us information concerning Shtern's medical condition and its treatment.

In addition, the minister was presented with a petition signed by over 500 Toronto doctors endorsing the appeal.

Gringorten discussed the legal aspects of the Shtern case, citing the many instances of violations of both the Russian and Ukrainian criminal codes. A brief detailing in full the abuses of Soviet jurisprudence at the Shtern trial is being prepared by members of the Canadian Committee of Lawyers and Jurists for Soviet Jewry.

Lalonde expressed his interest and concern, and promised to pursue the three requests encompassed in the Shtern Appeal, report the representatives who went to Ottawa.

Ben Sherman, Queen Street hardware merchant who just celebrated his 105th birthday, receives golden hammer award to mark his 65 years in the retail trade. Presenting award is Peter Bradford of Stanley Works of Canada. (Groskind)

Kingston holds moving service for athletes

KINGSTON —
Beth Israel Synagogue here was the scene of a moving memorial service commemorating the 11 Israeli athletes who were gunned down at the 1972 Munich Olympics. The ceremony was sponsored by the Jewish Community Council. JCC President Mort Berman presided over the affair.

Rabbi Shlomo Horowitz eulogized the Israeli athletes while condemning the hijackers who commandeered an Air France Jet to Uganda.

E. Valorie Swain, a COJO director, and former mayor of Kingston, was guest speaker. Swain who was present at Munich in 1972, expressed his utter despair over those events and his commitment and hope for a rededicated and re-cleansed Olympiad.

The service was brought to a close as memorial candles were lit by 11 teenagers and Kaddish was recited in unison by those present in the synagogue.

The Israeli sailing team lent special significance to the program by their attendance.

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Menace of terrorism

There have been few occasions when Israel could say she had received a fair deal at a United Nations General Assembly or a Security Council meeting. Last week Israelis could look with satisfaction at the result of a Security Council session called to deal with the rescue of the hijacked victims in Uganda.

The scenario for this latest 15-member meeting was the same as always; a fierce attack on Israel by Arab and Third World sympathizers and the usual propaganda mouthings accusing Israel of a variety of sins. But the script for the council session took a new tack, one that can be credited to the simple, obvious fact that Israel had captured world respect and applause for striking a deadly blow against terrorism. The Africans who came prepared to shield Idi Amin, the butcher of Uganda, behind a barrage of accusations against Israel, finally withdrew their resolution calling for condemnation of Israel when it became apparent they would have no chance of gaining the required nine votes.

Even a Soviet bloc country, Romania, joined other nations in abstaining, an act which caused gasps of disbelief. In the past the puppets of the Kremlin danced to the tune of their Soviet masters. So what started out to be another shabby chapter in the Security Council's history turned into something else; if not outright vindication of Israel, at least a moral victory for a little nation that had given the world a lesson in how to combat the evil that is terrorism. The rescue of the hostages brought terrorism into sharper focus than ever before and proof of this is seen in the fact that the Anglo-American resolution condemning terrorism and calling for international action, received unexpected support though not sufficient to bring Security Council approval.

No small factor in the demoralization of the anti-Israel forces at this meeting was the shocking news of the finding of the body of elderly Mrs. Dora Bloch a short distance from Kampala, the capital of Uganda. She had been dragged from her hospital bed in Kampala, shortly after the Israeli rescue of the hostages, and was not seen alive again. That she was murdered by Ugandan soldiers was attested by numerous independent sources, and this evidence of Amin's savagery and blood lust helped bring about the failure of the anti-Israel resolution.

Sooner or later, the world will have to deal with the menace of terrorism and Rabbi Gunther Plaut echoed the sentiments of decent-minded people everywhere in the course of his eloquent address at the Montreal memorial meeting for the 11 Israeli athletes slain at Munich four years ago.

Guest Editorial

Some fresh ideas

By GAVRIEL STRASMAN

My readers will be the first to admit that it would not be truthful to say that everything is perfect, or near perfection, within the Canadian Jewish community. Nonetheless, I would first like to mention some of its more favorable aspects. I had been told prior to coming to Canada, that I would find a warm, devoted community, generous, always ready to rally on behalf of Israel, to call on ministers and legislators, write letters to editors, phone radio stations, participate in teach-ins and seminars. I found this to be true — beyond my expectations.

Zeal and enthusiasm in support of Israel is always evident, particularly in times of crisis. Arafat's visit to the UN which coincided with my arrival in Montreal, was one of those opportunities for the Zionist community — nay, the Jewish community — to stand up and be counted. There have, unfortunately, been other similar opportunities as, for instance, when the UN voted against Zionism. Lay persons and professionals joined ranks when special activities were the order of the day. For example, the Canadian Zionist Federation's convention in Israel which was attended by members of all constituent bodies, was an inspiring manifestation of unity. There were several months during which it seemed that all other activities came to a standstill and that everybody was working on preparations for the convention. In spite of all this, however, I have the feeling that some Zionist leaders do no more than pay lip-service to the cause.

A recent editorial in the Canadian Zionist also touched upon this problem which is, in essence: What brand of Zionism is it that comes from leaders who do not really implement the Zionist idea? How can leaders who have no intention of making aliyah advocate it for others? How valid is their Zionism? What, in fact does it mean, other than that they are political party card-carrying members? Is it not true that Jewish leaders who are not affiliated with any Zionist organization, who do not carry a card, but who visit Israel often, who work for Israel on a voluntary basis, who collect funds, sell bonds, organize lectures, are in fact as sincere in their Zionism as their card-carrying counterparts?

It seems to me that the fundamental problem is the overpoliticization of the whole system. Many traditional differences of opinion on social and political issues — which have long since been overshadowed by other problems in Israel — still divide many Zionist leaders. There are leaders in the community (who shall remain nameless) whose party interest comes first. There are too many committees and not enough tachlis; many good ideas and not enough leeway for positive action.

This situation breeds frustration. Something is wrong with the "distribution of wealth" — to borrow a phrase from Marx. This has been my impression and I have reason to believe it is not false. I have listened to so many members who offer nothing but criticism and complaints about the Zionist organization. Make up your minds, my friends. Either you want the CZF or you don't. You can't have your cake and eat it too.

From my point of view, the CZF is comprised of too many constituent bodies. It would seem to me to be more logical, for example, if the Pioneer Women and the Labor Zionist Movement were one organization. I understand that the problem revolves around the political axis: allocation of seats in the Zionist Congresses, etc. But, in the 29th year of an independent Israel, are we still unable to overcome these problems? Don't you all, from far away, feel regret over the political division among the 20-odd members of the Israeli cabinet and complain that they cannot reach decisions, while you, yourselves, operate on the same partisan principles that have divided them for so many years. Is there really no way to bridge the gap, close ranks and implement the ideas and ideals that we have been preaching for so long?

Gavriel Strasman is returning to Israel after serving as an emissary to Canadian Zionist Federation. This is an abridged version of an article which appeared in the magazine, Canadian Pioneer Women.

Marriage and politics

It has long been said by critics of Israel's system of proportional representation that it thrives at the expense of political and social principles. Compromise is the heart and soul of the system, and inevitably this leads to cynicism and ossification in a country in desperate need of new blood and bold ideas.

Yet another compromise was whipped up last month when Labor Knesset members helped to defeat a bill seeking to legalize civil marriage in Israel. Defeated by a vote of 51-18, the Independent Liberal Party's bill provided for a form of civil marriage for Jews forbidden to marry as a result of Halachic disqualifications.

In the course of the debate, Justice Minister Haim Zadok explained that his Labor faction, which controls the political life of the nation, had voted with the religious parties in the interest of keeping agreements and commitments dating back to 1953. What he really meant was that maintenance of the rabbinate's sole jurisdiction in matters of marriage, divorce and personal status was part of the agreement — compromise — under which the National Religious Party remains a crucial partner in the coalition government headed by Premier Rabin.

The bill, put forward by Minister without Portfolio Gideon Hausner, and supported by Mapam, would not have ended Orthodoxy's monopoly on marriage. It would have merely applied to those Jews whom the rabbis had refused to marry for one reason or another.

Yet it was struck down ignominiously through the influence of the National Religious Party, which holds the balance of power in the government, even though only a minority of the population calls itself religious. Although it was essentially a harmless bill that would have, for example, obviated the need for some Jews to travel abroad to marry, the NRP feared that it was actually an attack against its parliamentary privileges.

Religious Jews have every right to practise their beliefs. But surely they have no right to impose their values on those who do not believe as they do. Is it fair that a minority should limit, if not stifle, the liberties of the majority?

The failure of Mr. Hausner's marriage bill to gain parliamentary assent is a case study of an outmoded political system requiring urgent reform.

The Gyarmatis—a remarkable clan

Hungarian athletes set world records

By J.J. JEFFRIES

(Third of three parts)

In the post-war Olympiads, Jewish sports stars have made a remarkable impact. Let us first look at one family which has been represented at each of these meetings, the Gyarmatis of Hungary.

Recognized as the greatest water-polo player of all time, Dezso was born at Miskole in 1927. Five times he played on the Hungarian team and each time he won a medal including three golds (1952, 1956, 1964), silver in 1948, bronze in 1960. He also won two golds in European championship play (1954, 1962) but was not on the victorious 1958 team for reasons explained below.

His wife was a swimmer and competed under her maiden name Eva Szekely. At the 1948 Olympics she finished fourth in the 200-metre breast stroke. In 1951 she broke the world record at 100-metre breast stroke and married Dezso. The following year at the age of 25 she captured the gold in the 200-metre breast stroke. 1953 brought a world record in the 400-metre individual medley but the following year she was out of action giving birth to daughter Andrea.

When the Melbourne Olympics came along, Eva had to switch her stroke as the butterfly action was no longer permissible.

The Gyarmatis were horrified to hear when they arrived in Australia, that the Russians had overrun their country and quelled the revolt. Dezso and Eva were both worried and for four weeks they heard no news of Eva's parents or their baby. Eva lost 12 pounds and could not sleep despite which she performed admirably, taking the silver.

Deszo Gyarmati - illustrious Olympian.

It was the last competition for the 29-year-old swimmer who accumulated 29 Hungarian titles and six world records.

Early in 1957 the Gyarmatis fled Hungary using a forged passport. However after a stay in New Jersey, they returned to their homeland when the political situation stabilized. Nowadays Dezso is a water-polo coach and Eva is a pharmacist but she took time to coach her daughter who placed fifth in both 100-metre butterfly and 100-metre backstroke at the Mexico City Olympics when just 14.

Andrea took two gold medals at the 1970 European Championships (200-metre backstroke, 100-metre butterfly) and arrived in Munich a potential finalist but not a favorite. In the final Andrea caught two of the Americans but finished second behind Melissa Belote. She garnered a bronze medal in the 100-metre butterfly.

Another remarkable Hungarian is Ildiko Uslaky — Rejto, the 1963 world foil champion. She has collected six medals in four Olympics. Her two golds came in Tokyo at age 27, when she won in both individual and team foil. In 1960, 1968 and 1972 she took silver as a member of the Hungarian foil team. Her bronze came in Mexico City in the individual event. But no story of this marvellous athlete would be complete without considering that she has had to have all her coaching through observation: she was born a deaf-mute!

Some Polish Jews survived the Holocaust by moving into Russia. Just after the war Irena Kirszenstein was born in Leningrad and shortly thereafter her parents returned to Poland. She was still only 18 at the time of the Tokyo Olympics but finished second in two events: in the 200 metres and the long jump. However, she did get a gold medal as a member of Poland's winning 400-metre relay team.

The following year Miss Kirszenstein set world records at 100 (11.1) and 200-metre (22.7) and a European record at 100 yards (10.5). In 1966 she won gold at the European championships in 200 metres, long jump and relay.

At the Mexico City games, she finished third as Wyomia Tyus broke the world record (11.0). Surprisingly she failed miserably in the long jump and seemed vulnerable at her main event, the 200 metres, particularly as she was only third in her semi-final. In the final, she was drawn in lane seven and came tentatively round the curve, entering the straight fourth. Then she moved into high gear and pulled two metres clear of the field to set a new world record (22.5).

Ildiko Uslaky-Rejto (centre), is shown after winning 1973 championship.

Just before the 1968 games she had married and for a while her career was interrupted by childbirth but she was back in 1972. Eliminated in the 100-metre semi-final, she fought hard in the 200 metres to gain a bronze (22.74) as Renata Strecher of East Germany set a world best (22.40). So with two golds, two silvers, and two bronze medals she might well have retired, but amazingly she returned in 1974 better than ever breaking the world records at 60 metres indoor (7.08), 200 metres (22.21) and 400 metres (49.9).

Last year she set new bests for 300 metres (35.70) and 440 yards (51.3). Last month, at the age of 30(!), she clipped the 400-metre record to (49.75).

No Olympic record would be complete without mention of Mark Spitz. It is fascinating to recall that at Mexico he was labelled a "disappointment" as he gathered four medals, including two golds! Breaker of about 30 world records, he disappointed nobody four years ago when he not only took seven gold medals but in each event he or his team set a new world record.

At Montreal we can watch to see if his last remaining record (54.27 for 100-metre butterfly) will withstand the world's best. His seven gold medals are a record for one Olympic meet and his nine equals Paavo Nurmi's record set in three Games, (1920-28).

BEAUTY QUEEN

Her face tells it all as Rina Messinger of Israel is proclaimed Miss Universe of 1976. The 20-year-old brown-haired, blue-eyed Sabra is first Israeli contestant to win the event. Pageant officials expressed concern about security problems. (RNSP)

Most North American Jewish papers faced financial hardship, short life span

By ROCHELLE CARR

Modern history has shown that the people of the book have also been the people of the newspaper.

As soon as possible, and often before it was financially feasible, Yiddish, Hebrew and Anglo-Jewish newspapers sprang up in North America. The early issues, especially, were vital to the growing Jewish community in the throes of transition between the Old World and the New World.

The general English press elicited a limited emotional response from the immigrants who spoke Yiddish in their homes and who, very often, still had relatives in the Old World. The need for a Yiddish press was quickly made patently clear as a vehicle to inform the immigrants, in a language they could comprehend, about topics of particular concern to them.

In 1870, two Yiddish journals appeared in the United States, one of which was called Juedische Post. One year later, a Hebrew periodical appeared which bore the apt title, Ha-Zofeh ba-Arez ha-Hadashah (The Observer in a New Land).

In Canada, in 1887, the imaginative compiler of English-Yiddish-Hebrew dictionaries, Alexander Harkavy, then living in Montreal, painstakingly produced a Yiddish periodical called Die Tzait.

Most of these North American journalistic attempts bore two things in common, financial hardship and a short life span. As a result, there is no definitive historic source that can give a reasonably accurate number of the various publishing attempts in the North American Jewish community (a fact which is as true today as a century ago) since it is surmised that many folded within weeks and were known to few outside those involved in the attempt.

Nevertheless, such was the thirst for knowledge, not to mention the penchant for disseminating knowledge, that Jewish journalistic endeavors continued to spring up all over North America. In 1897, the biweekly Jewish Times of Montreal first appeared. Edited by a Christian journalist, Carrol Ryan, it was born in an attempt to offset anti-Semitic publications, particularly those from France that were absorbed with the Dreyfus affair.

Also in Montreal, within the next decade, several other publications appeared such as the Jewish Times and the Canadian Jewish Eagle. In 1906, the Toronto Jewish Weekly was published. In 1912, Der Yiddisher Journal appeared and 17 years later, the Jewish Standard made its debut, both serving the needs of Toronto on a more permanent basis. Other publications sprang up serving Jewish communities in such places as Ottawa and Winnipeg.

In the United States, by the end of the first decade of this century, four Yiddish dailies, Tegeblatt, Warheit, the Jewish Daily Forward and the Jewish Morning Journal had a combined circulation of over 240,000. Not only did such publications serve the everyday needs of the immigrant readers, but they were also often utilized as a vehicle for bringing the works of such one-time unknown writers as Sholom Aleichem to the fore.

Often throughout North America no sooner would one publication fold then one or more would spring up to take its place, or a few publications would merge, adopt a third name and attempt to carry on until financial woes once again beset them.

As the composition of the Jewish community changed, that is, their ties with much that the Old World stood for were lessened or severed completely, the composition of the Jewish press was accordingly modified. Yiddish, the mamma loshen (mother tongue) of so many Jews for centuries, gradually eschewed by the younger North American-born Jewish generation, gave way in importance to the mother tongues of North America and, later, Israel.

This change has, in no way, meant a lessening in the fervor of a North American Jewish press. On the contrary, in addition to a thriving multi-language press in Israel, whose Friday editions often find their way across the Atlantic, one source cites approximately 185 various types of Jewish publications in the United States now, of which 105 are in New York State, plus two news syndicates.

In Canada, there are thought to be approximately 17 different Jewish publications of which, this paper, The Canadian Jewish News, has increased its circulation, in the past five years, to approximately 26,000 copies per week.

The history of the North American Jewish press has set the foundation for a press that will continue to grow, but, so too, adapt itself in an attempt to continually meet the present needs of its readers.

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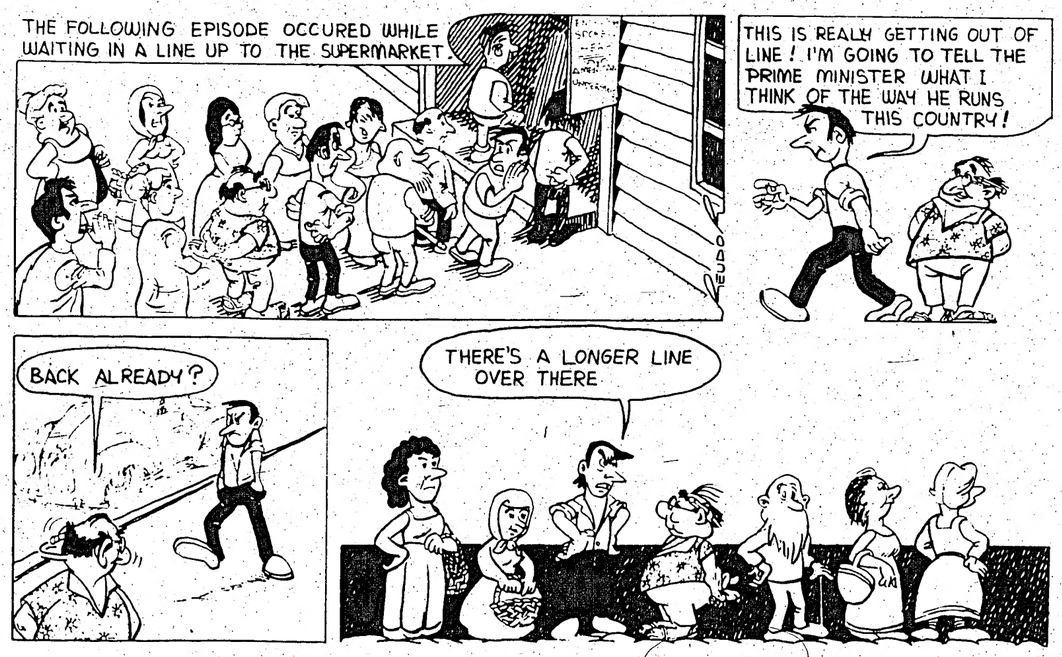
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REUDOR

John Kingsley-Read (with cigar) leads the National Party in a march through London streets. Far right parties have gained alarming amount of support in recent elections.

'I'm proud to be fascist,' declared candidate

Britain's social, economic crisis kindles far-right political activity

By HENRY SREBRNIK

LONDON, Eng. —

The deepening social and economic crisis in Great Britain — wage cuts, layoffs, rising prices and inflation, and tight housing conditions — has created the type of political atmosphere in which parties and ideologies of the far right can thrive and grow.

The tempo of racial violence and agitation against immigrants — the House of Commons is currently debating legislation introduced by Roy Jenkins, Home Secretary in the Callaghan Labor government, that is even more restrictive than the 1971 Commonwealth Immigration Act — has been on the rise, and culminated in the murder of an Asian youth, Gurdip Singh Chagger, by a gang in Southall, London, in June.

In response, the Asian Action Committee organized a massive demonstration in Hyde Park July 4, a rally supported by many Black, Third World and Jewish organizations, and among the many slogans chanted by the demonstrators as they marched to 10 Downing Street, office of the prime minister, were "Smash the National Front", and "Drive the fascists off the streets."

The National Front was formed by neo-Nazis and other rightists out of a coalition of ultra groups like the Greater Britain Movement, in 1968, and had an initial membership of 4,000. As racial troubles in England increased, so did the NF's membership, until today it is estimated to include 12,500 people organized into 150 branches. The NF makes its impact through leaflet distribution — some eight million a year are printed by head office. Their aim is to inflame racial tensions and exacerbate various differences between various groups, and to this end they employ every means at their disposal, from hooliganism, provocations and violence through to electoral contests (the party announced in June that it would field 318 candidates in the next British general election).

The National Front is strongly anti-Semitic, and John Tyndall, its chairman, is himself a former organizer for Colin Jordan's old Nazi movement, whose slogan was "Hitler was right." Tyndall was quoted in 1964 as saying "**Mein Kampf** is my doctrine" and in the April 1976 issue of Spearhead, the NF magazine, he wrote: "It is an incontestable fact that Communism, both as doctrine and revolutionary movement, owes more to the Jews than any other race." Even other right-wingers say the Front has "Nazi proclivities" and that Tyndall has "the authentic style of the Fuehrer." (The NF candidate in the Lewisham riding in the October, 1974 elections, Peter Williams, made no bones about where he stood, either: "The common usage of the word fascist means patriot, so I am proud to be a fascist").

The Front has been much in the news of late: on July 6, it recruited into its ranks Roberts Relf, who became infamous in this country when jailed this past May for posting a "whites only" sign in front of his house, then up for sale, and for writing an obscenely vicious letter to an East African immigrant to England which ended with the words, "Come back Hitler, all is forgiven." Says Tyndall, "I am very proud to have this man with us."

Angling for a wider electoral base, the NF has been more coy in its anti-Semitism of late, and Tyndall told the Observer (July 4, 1976) recently that it is not all Jews, but Zionists and "bankers", that he hates; the term "international Zionist conspiracy" cropped up all over the place. However, David Roberts, an undercover man who infiltrated the Front last year, discovered close links between the NF and Column 88, a Nazi guerrilla group (88 is their code for HH — Heil Hitler — H being the eighth letter of the alphabet).

Some NF members, finding this open fascism too distasteful, called for a more "populist" approach, and challenged Tyndall's power. They were eased out in December, 1975 and, under the leadership of an ex-Conservative, John Kingsley-Read, formed the rival National Party. Though the National Party pretends to be more "moderate" than the NF, it includes in its ranks such men as Robin Beauclaire, who two years ago arranged for the printing of the pamphlet **Did Six Million Really Die?**, which purported to "prove" that the mass murder of Jews by Hitler's Third Reich was a propagandistic lie.

Like the Front, Kingsley-Read is anti-Semitic, though he likes to deny it: "We are not anti-Semitic; it is coincidental that international finance is run to such an extent by Jews. There is a conspiracy between communism and international finance." (Hitler, of course, believed much the same thing!) And his response to the murder of the young Asian youth in Southall? "One down, one million to go."

The two fascist groups have been gaining adherents in certain parts of the country, mostly among poorer whites who are led astray by their facile lies and racist themes. The National Party recently won two victories in local elections in Blackburn, and the striking success of the two racist parties in a local by-election July 1 in the depressed south London borough of Lewisham has generated alarm. Although the seat, Deptford, was held by the Labor Party, with 43.5% of the vote, the two fascist groups secured 44.5% of the ballots between them (NP: 26%, NF: 18.5%).

The Conservatives ran a very distant fourth with 12%. Had the fascists not been split, they could have gained a seat on the Council. This year, for the first time, extreme rightwing parties have in some areas become electorally credible, and the respectable Guardian feels the two parties can expect, on current form, to gain upwards of 500,000 votes at the next British general election, should they contest over 300 seats.

The Jewish community in England is justifiably worried over these new manifestations of anti-Semitism and racial incitement, and remains vigilant. There are historical precedents on how to battle fascists: almost 40 years ago, on Oct. 4, 1936, a coalition of Jewish organizations and anti-fascist progressives defeated the fascist predecessor of today's neo-Nazis. Sir Oswald Mosley's arrogant blackshirts were ignominiously routed by a force of over 200,000 people when they attempted to march through London's then largely Jewish east end. Said one speaker at the July 4 demonstration, referring to that decisive victory, "They did not pass at Cable Street, they shall not pass today."

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Was it all worthwhile, asks J.B., after five years of 'columnizing'

By J.B. SALSBERG

Well, well well. Is it already five years since this paper was ransomed and given a totally new life and lifestyle?

And, is it almost five years since I've begun to share with you, week after week, through slaughter and tears, my humble reflections on matters of Jewish concern?

But those who count the years and the number of issues of the paper that have appeared say that it is and they must know. Nevertheless, I must make a very commonplace observation: "How the years fly!"

Was it all worthwhile? The answer to that question depends, of course, on what one understands by "worth".

If "worthwhile" is understood in terms of financial gain then my guess would be that The Canadian Jewish News has still a distance to go before it will become financially self-supporting, let alone make a "financial gain." If, on the other hand, worthwhile is understood in terms of achieving the objectives of the publishers and the expectations of the readers then there are, in my view, many pluses as well as some minuses on the five year balance sheet of the paper.

Whatever The Canadian Jewish News, in its reincarnation, may not have achieved, one thing it definitely did accomplish. Anyone that has any continuing interest in the life of Canadian Jewry must find herself obliged to read this paper regularly. Indeed, no future historian of Canadian Jewry will be able to do his work well without continuous references to this paper. That is quite an accomplishment for all who are associated with the publication. But I'm not so sure whether such a concerned reader or history researcher will not regret the absence of adequate coverage of some very important sectors of our Jewish society.

Frankly, I'm not worried about the coverage that is, as a rule, given to the big synagogues, big organizations, big leaders, big givers, big "machers" etc. They usually receive very liberal coverage in the paper. But I am worried about the minimal treatment, or the total non-mention, of what's going on in the smaller, the non-establishment sectors that, for all I know, constitute the majority of our people.

I have in mind the small synagogues, our Yiddish-speaking cultural bodies, our fraternal organizations and landsmanshaften, our wage and salary groups, our poor and borderline sectors etc. This, the largest portion of our population, finds inadequate coverage in all our English language Jewish publications in Canada. This is still a definite minus which this paper should eliminate in its sixth year of existence. The same, but to a much lesser degree, also applies to the coverage of the life and problems of our people in the smaller communities.

The past five years have been full of drama and challenge for world Jewry. I believe that by and large this paper's coverage of Israel has been more adequate and more objective than could be found in any other Jewish paper in this country. And this, too, is a notable plus on the paper's record.

On the homefront generally the paper has not yet, in my opinion, overcome the understandable but unacceptable hesitation to deal critically with some negative aspects of organized Jewish life in Canada. There is, in my view, a crying need for a more daring public examination and, if necessary, a public exposure of certain aspects of our communal life. I'm not a member of the paper's regular staff but only a contributor, but I know how very able and how very eager members of the staff are to come to grips with some of those aspects. Why shouldn't they? My book says: Irresponsible, malicious or vindictive criticism, never; but objective, responsible and accurate presentation of facts, always.

Now, my dear and gentle readers, how have I fared these five years? Was it worthwhile? I hope that you will agree with my conclusion that it was very much worthwhile.

Of course I do not always share the paper's views and editorial positions. The most glaring example of such a disagreement was the battle that went on, all through the years, on the critical question of merging the Welfare Fund with the Canadian Jewish Congress. But the important thing was that I was free to express my opposition to such a merger. (And I'm still far from happy about what happened in that area.) Without such freedom both the paper and I, your humble and not so humble servant, would be of much lesser stature.

Was I always right? Not necessarily, but I tried to always be honest and outspoken. At any rate, my very good uncle Eliezer would never allow me to be otherwise. And I shall never permit myself to cross my uncle on this score...

And so we enter the sixth year with the same resolution as we began. It's good to be with you every week.

Rescue mission has far-reaching implications

Entebbe's denouement is yet to come

By A.J. ARNOLD

Israel's handling of the Uganda hostage situation, culminating in the successful rescue mission at Entebbe Airport, will surely take its place alongside the military success of the Six Day War of 1967. It may very likely achieve an importance exceeded only by the establishment of the Jewish state itself. The results of this episode may have far-reaching implications not only for Israel but for the entire world. We may dare to hope that the positive effects will help to counteract the dangerous negative tendencies affecting the world scene which encourage international terrorism.

The immediate result has been a wide-ranging discussion and debate, including significant comments and disclosures which have led me to the foregoing conclusion.

Consider, for example, the editorial view of the Winnipeg Tribune that Israel was only paying "lip service to negotiation" while "preparing an aggressive raid." The comment is understandable in view of Israel's well-known position against negotiating with terrorists. Nevertheless, once the Rabin government decided to negotiate it was certainly done in good faith because there was no other choice at that point in attempting to save the lives of the hostages.

It was only after hijacking terrorists, aided and abetted by Idi Amin, refused any form of compromise, and in fact increased their demands, that the Israel government decided there was no chance to conclude the negotiations successfully and gave the green light for the commando rescue operation.

In the aftermath of Israel's rescue operation the action of the Toronto Jewish community was particularly impressive in organizing within 48 hours a thanksgiving rally attended by some 2,000 people. Beth Tzedec Rabbi Benjamin Friedberg made a noteworthy comment when he said: "No longer will Jews allow themselves to be put in the traditional role of victims." In my view, however, he spoiled it with his additional remark: "Our answer is not any eye for an eye, but two eyes for one eye."

The Israeli commando assignment to Entebbe was surely not a revenge mission but intended solely as a rescue effort. The concept of vengeance is not only morally wrong but can only complicate the problem of determining rational actions in these highly critical times.

Support for Israel has come in the form of citing precedents under international law where military intervention is permitted to protect one's nationals whose lives are endangered in another country. The Winnipeg Tribune cartoonist portrayed this idea with a three panel cartoon where Uncle Sam says: "We used to send in the Marines," John Bull says: "We left it to the Royal Navy," and Israel says: "And we give a commando performance!"

The comparison is appropriate only up to a point. In the past, Britain always had vital imperial interests to protect and the U.S. had immediate economic and political interests in addition to the protection of its citizens which was often a pretext. Having been expelled from many African countries to which it had previously given aid Israel had no other interest but the rescue of its people. The success of the rescue mission may possibly bring added benefits of a far different kind as more serious attention is focused on the cancer of international terrorism.

The denouement is yet to come.

A. J. Arnold is a Winnipeg writer.

Reunion is sweet as those returned from Uganda greet relatives at the airport.

Letters to the Editor

'When making travel plans one should keep in mind all anti-Israel countries'

Dear Editor:

I, for one, was very pleased to read the ad inserted by some 15 travel agencies discouraging the booking of vacations (I presume by us Jews) to Mexico in view of that country's continued stand in equating Zionism with racism.

I took exception last December when I learned that the Canadian ORT was promoting a trip to both Argentina and Brazil, two more countries that have pronounced the same anti-Israel attitude as has Mexico.

The reason for this letter is that I seek your help in advertising the names of those countries in addition to Mexico, Argentina and Brazil which have unreservedly taken a Zionism-racist stand and which are within a sphere of holidaying, with the hope that such information will discourage people from making such trips to these countries. For your benefit and information, these countries are: Dominican Republic, Greece, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, Phillipines, Trinidad and Tobago and Venezuela.

Matthew Elman,
Toronto.

Dear Editor:

For the second time in recent weeks a group of travel agents have shown determined leadership in support of a tourist boycott of Mexico. This time our so-called Jewish leaders should not rush down to Mexico City with "cap in hand" begging for forgiveness. Let the Mexicans look for Arab and African tourists to support their economy.

Henry Aiken,
Downsview, Ont.

Dear Editor:

The photo caption accompanying your article which described the research project into the smaller Jewish communities of Ontario (CJN, July 2) referred to me as "Toronto Jewish Congress archivist." I would like to emphasize that the Canadian Jewish Congress Central Region archives serves the entire Jewish community of Ontario, with Toronto as only one component in the region. The archives committee membership includes representatives from the various communities and my own role as archivist is by no means confined to Toronto.

Stephen Speisman,
director,
Canadian Jewish Congress,
Central Region archives.

Dear Editor:

It appears that my letter in your July 2 issue has a lot of people in our community confused.

I have received many telephone calls, asking why I am knocking the College Memorial Chapel and its beloved president, Sam Cohen. Believe me, I would never knock an individual, let alone an institution that has given much monies to further Israeli causes. Sam Cohen is one of the finest gentlemen I have ever known and I value his true friendship.

Possibly, I did not choose the correct words to express my opinion, please forgive me. You can surely realize that without our children in Toronto being educated today, there is no Israel tomorrow. And not all of us can afford the constant increases put upon us by the Board of Jewish Education. Thank G—d for people like Joe Berman, of Cadillac Fairview and others, who have this foresight, who can realize our local needs, for our future needs.

One must not tie a ship to a single anchor, nor life to a single hope.

Paul Sheldon,
Toronto.

Dear Editor:

The late Sam Moskovitch was a popular figure both as mayor of Cote St. Luc for the last 13 years and in Canadian Jewish communal circles. I can well remember his powerful voice booming across the hall at B'nai B'rith conferences.

However, he was not the first Jewish mayor ever elected in Quebec as your report stated. The Russian-born William Hyman was elected mayor of Cape Rosier (or Cap des Rosiers) in the Gaspe peninsula in 1858 and is commonly believed to be the first Jewish mayor to be elected not only in Quebec but in all Canada.

B.G. Kayfetz,
executive director,
Canadian Jewish Congress,
Central Region,
Toronto.

Dear Editor:

Laugh-In's posthumous "fickle finger of fate award" is hereby bestowed on your June 4th issue for clarity in the face of fire.

In your "Questions about Aliyah" column on page 6, under the heading "Israel has zero unemployment," a potential immigrant asks whether he will be able to find a job in Israel. Your answer begins as follows: "In general there are jobs for just about everyone. There has been no unemployment in Israel since 1967."

In a front page story, under the heading "Recession is danger: minister," reporter Sheldon Kirshner asks Israel's Labor Minister Moshe Baram whether Israel's new austerity budget could result in an unemployment rate of 60,000 by 1977. Kirshner writes the following: "Baram replied in the negative. Thirty four thousand workers are currently out of work, (Baram) said, but many more could be unemployed if the working force fails to meet export targets by raising the level of productivity."

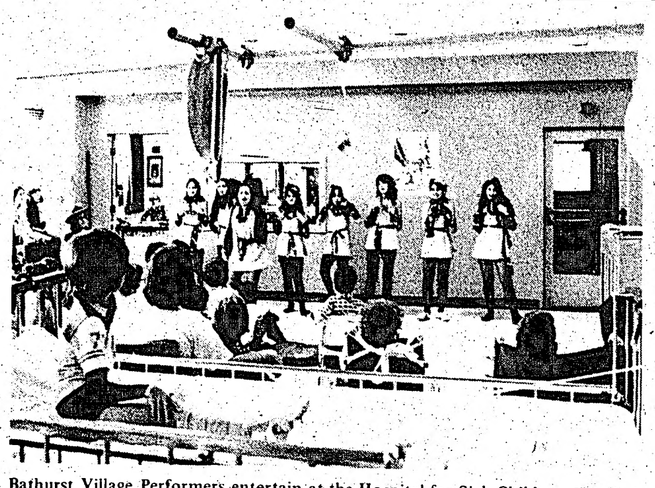
Recently, The Zionist Organization of Canada conducted an inquiry in Israel to find out why some 40% of all Canadian olim leave Israel within five years of their arrival in the country. I wonder...

Larry Orenstein,
Downsview.

Organizations and People

what's new...

By MIRIAM HERMAN



Bathurst Village Performers entertain at the Hospital for Sick Children. Hospital was presented with cheque for $605 from performers who raised money from presentations of its show. Director of group is Sharyn Stein. (Gadi Hoz photo)

SUCCESSFUL BONDS EVENT

The tennis tournament and picnic run last month by the new leadership division of Israel Bonds, was a huge success. Participation in the five-day event, including the barbecue at Herb Green's farm, was through the purchase of bonds. With over 45 entrants playing on five outdoor courts, about $15,000 was pledged. There were more than 20 brand new purchasers. Winner Marty Middlestadt beat out Mel Pearlman in the finals, and Jerry Etkin won the consolation round. The tournament was sponsored together with the Amal Scholarship Foundation of Histadrut. A total of $800 was raised for the fund plus the donation of separate purchases of bonds made by some of the entrants. Chairman of the over-all event was Larry Ungerman, assisted by Art Kleinstein and Dr. Pearlman representing Amal.

JF&CS SOUTH BRANCH

The south office of the Jewish Family and Child Service has just passed the one-year mark. Operating at the Bloor 'Y', this branch is set up as a two-pronged program offering traditional counselling services along with an all-day drop-in centre for Jewish residents in the downtown area. The centre provides an informal meeting place anytime during the day (weekdays). There is a regular bagel club (coffee and bagels) every Monday from 10 a.m. to noon and a lunch on Thursday at noon that is organized in conjunction with Co-ordinated Services to the Jewish Elderly. For information, phone 961-9344.

CAMP WEEK FOR SINGLES

Rustic Holiday Week '76 is what the Jewish Camp Council is calling their week-long camp program for singles. It takes place Aug. 16-22 at Camp Northland in the Haliburton area. The only criteria is that one must be Jewish and unmarried (that is separated, divorced, widowed, or just plain single). Reservations are limited to a group of 50. And if you are concerned about your children, there's a camp across the lake for youngsters 7-16 years of age from Aug. 8-27. If you are interested, the number to call is 924-6211.

CONSERVATIVE BROTHERHOODS

This week, the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs (Conservative brotherhoods) are holding their 47th annual convention at the Concord Hotel, Kiamasha Lake, N.Y. The five-day conclave, running July 25-29, centres around the theme **Judaic Ideals Reaffirmed.** Among the Canadians participating are Torontonians Harry Berns, Frank Warner and Sam Shulman, who have key roles on the convention committee, and Rabbi Herbert Mandl and Dr. Morton Lang of Montreal, who are involved in the seminars.

JSF AT YORK

If you are taking summer courses at York University, don't forget the Jewish Student Federation office is open all summer long. You can drop in for coffee, conversation or a game of sheshbesh (backgammon) any Monday-Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The office is in Room S101, Ross building.

HOMES FOR VISITORS

The Experiment in International Living is an international, educational, non-profit organization that arranges homestay visits for travellers. Their program is based on the concept that the best way to achieve mutual understanding and respect among the people of the world is by sharing the daily lives of a family in another country. There are 40 offices throughout the world. Right now the Toronto group is looking for families who would like to open their homes to Experiment members who are coming to town in August for conferences and seminars. If you can help out, call 494-7873.

CAMPING TRIP FOR STUDENTS

Hillel Foundation at the University of Toronto has planned a long weekend camping trip to Elora Gorge Conservation Park, leaving Friday, June 30 and returning Monday, Aug. 2. It is strictly kosher, and open to all university students. Just call Hillel House for information.

MONDAY LECTURE SERIES

On Monday, July 26 and two Mondays thereafter, Prof. Michael Morgan will lecture on the subject, "Contemporary Moral Problems and How To Meet Them." The time is 8:30 p.m., at Holy Blossom.

...about people

Toronto photographer **Brian Willer** is among the select group of 50 photographers from all over the world who have been chosen as official photographers for the 1976 Olympic Games. The 28-year-old freelancer, who has contributed to The CJN on many occasions, was on staff at the now-defunct Toronto Telegram and has had some of his award-winning works widely displayed in a travelling exhibition of contemporary photography from the Art Gallery of Ontario now touring the world. In Montreal he is covering track and field, gymnastics, swimming and boxing.

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Sam Ruth, executive vice-president of Baycrest Centre, marked his 20th anniversary as administrative head of the centre last Friday. The board of directors and the staff shared coffee and cake in his honor.

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When the Rare Books Section of the Canadian National Library in Ottawa was officially opened, the guest list included former Canadian Jewish Congress executive vice-president **Saul Hayes** and **Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Lowy** of Montreal. In fact, Mr. Lowy, whose Judaic library is said to be one of the best and most valuable on the continent, was one of the three collectors of rare books referred to by guest speaker Secretary of State **Hugh Faulkner** in his opening address. The new section includes Judaica manuscripts and books... As for the ever-busy Mr. Hayes, he was also in Toronto recently to meet with representatives of the Toronto Jewish Congress to discuss changes and amendments to the Income Tax Act, as they pertain to endowments.

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Zero Mostel's upcoming appearance in Toronto in another round of **Fiddler on the Roof**, brings to mind the report that his role in the forthcoming film, **The Front**, closely parallels his own life story. It is about a comedian blacklisted during the McCarthy period, and that is exactly what happened to him. The committee caught up with the multi-faceted entertainer in the early '50s, and he was out of the spotlight for several years, finally making a comeback as Leopold Bloom in an off-Broadway production in **Ulysses in Nightown** in 1958. Incidentally, he was born Samuel Joel Mostel.

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Dr. Reuben Cherniack, head of the University of Manitoba's department of medicine, was named the new president of the Canadian Thoracic Society. The society is the medical arm of the Canadian Tuberculosis and Respiratory Disease Association (the national X'mas seal organization) which is directed by his colleague and fellow Winnipegger **Dr. Earl Hershfield.**

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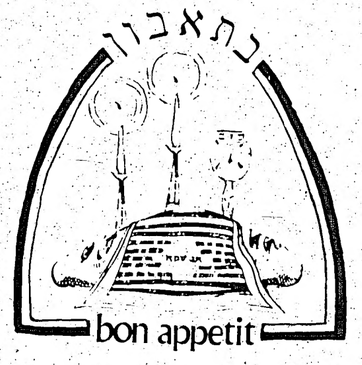
With the communities — **Herbert Brudner** was elected president of the Windsor Jewish Community Council at its annual meeting last month, succeeding **Mrs. Maxwell Schott. Bernard Putterman, Mrs. Morton Bernholtz** and **William Silver** are vice-presidents, **Harold Taub** is treasurer and **Richard Rosenthal** is secretary... Kingston Jewish Community Council's newly appointed executive is headed by president **Mort Berman,** along with vice-president **Mrs. Helen Esco,** secretary **Dr. Michael Singer** and treasurer **Norman Sugarman.**

'You have to d-r-i-n-k in torrid Israel'



By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

In Israel you have to d-r-i-n-k... The hot climate, whether dry or humid, robs the body of fluids which have to be constantly replaced to avoid dehydration. Every summer, in extreme cases, victims of dehydration have to be given emergency treatment by infusion, and these include veteran Israelis as well as overseas visitors unaccustomed to the Mediterranean heat.

Another danger of insufficient intake of fluids, is kidney trouble, particularly stones. Despite the precautions taken by units serving in the hottest regions of Israel, people who have been stationed in these parts for any length of time tend to be rather more susceptible to this condition than the average.

Nevertheless, soldiers suffer from dehydration and kidney complaints far less than formerly, now that the dangers of restricting fluids have been understood.

At one time soldiers were bound by **mishmaat ha-mayim** — disciplinary restriction of water. This rationing of one or two canteens of water to enlisted men undergoing training, was intended to train them to overcome the need to drink in combat conditions. But the dangers of this were eventually realized, and now the rule is: "Drink until you are not thirsty, and then drink some more."

Unfortunately, the dangers of not drinking enough are still not well understood. Victims of dehydration rarely feel thirsty when their condition is diagnosed. There are also prejudices against drinking quantities of fluids, which are so entrenched that announcements about the importance of drinking in the summer, are now broadcast over the radio.

The two main prejudices are that drinking causes profuse perspiration, and that it "blows you out" — makes you put on weight. There is no truth in either of these notions. If you drink more than you need, it will pass out of the body as urine, not perspiration. And unsweetened drinks will not add an inch to your waistline: those huge people you see on the beach in Tel Aviv haven't been drinking too much, they've been eating too much.

A more dangerous misconception yet, is that if you have the misfortune to suffer an attack of diarrhea, you ought to restrict your fluids until the condition passes, whereas in fact you should replace lost body fluids constantly to avoid dehydration.

The most delicious way to keep well hydrated in Israel is to treat yourself to a glass of freshly-squeezed fruit juice — cheap, refreshing and healthful. In season, you can choose from oranges, grapefruit, carrots, apples, pomegranates, and grapes.

Here are recipes for two popular beverages in summer holiday mood: iced coffee and iced tea. Iced coffee can mean anything from ordinary coffee with milk, chilled and served in a glass, to elaborate confections with cream, ice-cream, chopped nuts and grated chocolate, which are more like parfaits than drinks. The recipe given here is a compromise.

I was never impressed with the results of most available recipes for making iced tea, which tell you to pour boiling tea over ice cubes. I personally think it makes a most insipid and un-refreshing drink — a waste of a good thirst. The recipe given here is the way I make it.

Iced Coffee

1 1/2 cups boiling water
1 1/2 cups ice-cold milk
3 heaped tblsps. freshly-ground coffee
2 scant tblsps. sugar
whipped sweet cream, flavored with vanilla and chilled

1. infuse the coffee in the water in a coffee pot, then strain into a jug and add the sugar. Cool, then refrigerate

2. to serve, add the milk to the black coffee, then pour into tall glasses and top with a generous portion of whipped cream. Serves 2

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Iced Tea

1 cup boiling water
2 cups ice-cold water
1 double-strength tea-bag (Earl Grey blends are best)
1 scant tblsp. sugar
6 fresh mint leaves
4 thin slices lemon and more mint leaves for garnish
ice-cubes

1. make an infusion with the boiling water, tea-bag, and mint leaves. Strain, add sugar and leave to cool

2. to serve: divide tea between two tall glasses, fill with cold water, crowd top of the glasses with small ice-cubes, lemon slices and mint leaves. Serves 2

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Lirvaya! (may your thirst be quenched)
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New chief rabbi of Haifa is dedicating his lifetime to promoting Orthodoxy

By Rabbi Yosef Leib Derman

Haifa Chief Rabbi Cohen

TORONTO —

His name means "the remnant shall return," and Shear Yashuv Cohen, newly-elected chief rabbi of Haifa and former vice-mayor of Jerusalem, is dedicating his life to the return of the Jewish people to their spiritual heritage.

As chief rabbi of Haifa and chancellor of Midrasha — the Jerusalem Seminary, and a budding, Centre for Torah and Judaism in Haifa, Rabbi Cohen was in North America recently to raise funds for the support of those institutions. Their purpose is to stem the tide of disaffection with, and defection from, traditional Judaism.

According to Rabbi Cohen, the Midrasha in Jerusalem is to produce a new cadre of rabbinical leaders, "a trained young element, great in scholarship — great in deeds," who know how to reach out and fill the "crying need for spiritual leadership." In addition to the young rabbis (50 of whom are now serving in Israel and the Diaspora), ordained at the Midrasha since 1968, it offers courses for other religious functionaries, such as cantors, and a sabbatical course for rabbis from the Diaspora who want to "recharge their spiritual batteries," in the words of the rabbi.

He points out with pride that Midrasha is the only rabbinic training institution which ordains rabbis: students at other seminaries must be ordained privately, as he was, himself.

Rabbi Cohen, 17th in a line of rabbis stemming from Lithuania, believes his nascent Centre for Torah and Judaism in Haifa to be an expression of his analysis of the current spiritual searching in Israeli society.

The auburn-bearded rabbi feels a great groundswell of "looking for content" since the Yom Kippur War, after the "idols" of the labor movement, agricultural settlement and militarism were dashed on the rocks of solid Arab military advances during the 1973 war. At times like this, observes Shear Yashuv, "people turn back to the source of our strength, to the Torah."

After accepting the chief rabbinate of Haifa as a "field of experimentation" to test his reading of the Israeli spiritual pulse, Rabbi Cohen, who is also a graduate lawyer, made the new Haifa Centre the staging ground for a movement called "mivtza keiruv l'vavot" (Operation Bringing Together of Hearts).

To effect that bringing together of the religious and non-religious elements in Israeli society, which so often seem at loggerheads with each other, the Centre will develop a youth centre and seminars for overseas rabbis. As well, it will establish a teacher — training seminar at the University of Haifa.

Operation Bringing Together of Hearts has already born fruit in Haifa. "The response has been amazing," declares the rabbi ebulliently; his weekly class in Midrash draws about 100 people, many of whom are thought of as "not religious."

Rabbi Cohen happily reports that the inner sanctum of the labor movement has also been "conquered" by his operation. Haifa's Workers Council, thought to be a bastion of anti-religious feeling, now looks forward to his monthly lesson in the Ethics of the Fathers.

Rabbi Cohen sees the role of the rabbi as now needing a greater emphasis of the prophet (spiritual leader) aspect, where it once emphasized the priest (religious functionary) aspect.

As a two-term vice mayor of Jerusalem in charge of education and culture, Rabbi Cohen learned and gave speeches in Arabic, and is sanguine about hopes for peace in the Mideast. With his usual Messianic-directed vision, he sees the Arabs as soon learning that it is to their own benefit to allow Israel to pursue its prophetically-ordained role of "light unto the nations."

He said that their rabid anti-Semitism is unfaithful to the Moslem tradition. According to the rabbi, "the current bloodbath in Lebanon," which he deplores, "is the Hand of G—d," teaching the Arabs that hard lesson.

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Assets of $6 billion

Bank Hapoalim, Israel's second largest, opens representative office in Toronto

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
CJN Associate Editor

Shimon Topor

TORONTO —

Toronto has added another notch to its growing reputation as a world business capital with the opening of a representative office of Bank Hapoalim, an Israeli institution with assets of $6 billion. With this move, all of Israel's big three banks are represented in Toronto — the others being Bank Leumi and Israel Discount Bank.

"Toronto is already the financial centre of Canada," says bank representative Shimon Topor, in discussing the opening of the office. "More and more, the financial community is recognizing this."

The personable, 32-year-old head of the bank in Canada had been working 18 months on the move prior to the recent opening of the main representative office in Canada in the First Canadian Place. He had talked with others bankers, businessmen and community leaders during two visits here.

Bank Hapoalim is already very active in Canada's involvement in Israel. Under agreement with the Canadian Export Development Corporation, the bank is financing a new hydro station in Hadera. The main Canadian exporter is Babcock and Wilcox, and the deal involves "more than $100 million," Topor told The Canadian Jewish News in an interview. And other agreements along this line "are in the works," he revealed.

The bank, which is partially controlled by the Histadrut, has had an office in Montreal for a few months. Topor will shortly be appointing a person to head the office there.

He explains the offices in Canada were opened because the bank expects the trend of Canadian investment in Israel will continue to grow.

"We're here to offer our services in Israel and abroad, and to assist potential investors in Israel," he says. "As an international bank, we're offering our services all over the world through our international network. We also want to develop our relations with other banks."

As a representative office, the bank is not allowed to do local business. Therefore, Topor will advise and assist those interested in Hapoalim's services.

The second largest bank in Israel, although first in terms of profits and profitability in 1975, Bank Hapoalim ranks as the 140th largest bank in the world. In addition to 236 branches in Israel, it has a bank in Zurich, two branches in London, a branch in New York and representative offices also in Buenos Aires, Sao Paulo, Caracas and Johannesburg. Also, one is in the planning stages for Los Angeles.

The bank's subsidiaries operate as finance and investment companies in the U.S., Switzerland and Austria. The largest of these is Ampal, American-Israel Corporation. The bank also participates in joint ventures with other banks, one of which is the American Israel Bank Ltd., formerly known as Japhet Bank. Another such venture is Israel Continental Bank Ltd., a partnership with a West German bank.

In addition to an agreement with the Export Development Corporation, the bank has special accords with the Exports-Imports Bank of the United States and British Exports Credit Guarantee Department and is negotiating accords with several European governmental agencies.

The majority of the equity in Bank Hapoalim, which was started 54 years ago, is held by the public, but the Histadrut still has a majority of controlled shares. The bank has achieved its phenomenal growth since 1969 under the dynamic leadership of Jacob Levinson, who took over the chairmanship of the institution at the age of 36. He will be in Toronto for the official opening of the representative office in October.

A lawyer by training, Topor comes to Toronto after two years as the manager of the bank's overseas offices and investment department. Previous to that, he served for two years as head of the Jewish Agency's economic department in North America. Working out of New York, he advised potential newcomers to Israel about establishing businesses there.

Married with one child, he is enjoying Toronto and the warmth of its Jewish community. "The people here are more relaxed than in New York," he remarks. "We've been well received here."

After five tries, success comes to determined Toronto writer

By GOLDA N. BERG

TORONTO —

If perseverence and grit can ensure success in the highly competitive world of Canadian novel writers, then 31-year-old Paul Wainberg will make his mark.

The Torontonian, a former high school history teacher, has just published his first novel, **Ms. Charlotte's Lovers,** after nine somewhat frustrating and fruitless years of writing in which he churned out five unpublished manuscripts.

The 125-page novel, a simple story about a lonely, misguided single woman who has reached the traditionally uncomfortable age of 30, was released by Pocket Book, a division of Simon & Schuster of Canada. Since 1967 Pocket Book has been introducing new native authors to the Canadian public at a rate of close to 35 books a year — somewhat of a boon to the fledgling writer.

"You have to think big," says the young novelist, describing his approach to the art. "Look at the markets, there's a lot of money to be made." Along with his dogged determination, Wainberg is a man of pluck and claims, despite the competition, he has a better-than-average chance of "making it big. It is going to take a long time. It takes at least 10 years of apprenticeship before you start selling."

Most of the action of **Ms. Charlotte's Lovers,** a title chosen by the publisher, revolves around Queen's Park and environs, and a menagerie of misplaced, isolated characters — a liberated lesbian and her callous roommate, and a flophouse drunk for whom Charlotte has a social worker attachment and shallowly-sexual attraction.

Wainberg concedes some of the sexual scenes and language in the novel were offensive to several readers — including his mother — but defends their contribution to the effect of the work. "I think they fit," he says. "If I had used sex just to sell the book, it would have been dirtier."

His perspective on women covers two extremes. One character is a tough, independent woman, contemptuous of the opposite sex, who eagerly adopted the liberationist credo. For Charlotte, "thoughts of never marrying, of being an old maid, of one's own deficiencies in beauty and personality filled her mind and tortured her... For she wanted a man and love."

Wainberg is already proceeding on a second book. This time the subject matter is closer to home — the story of a Jewish family, covering three generations and striding two continents.

His goals? "Money and fame, if it's possible to achieve it." And he thinks he can.

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We have a fifth anniversary

Community comments on its newspaper

The Canadian Jewish News this month marks the fifth anniversary of its rejuvenated existence under the ownership which purchased it in the summer of 1971.

Five years isn't in the venerable category; it isn't even close to being a bar mitzvah observance, but enough has been crowded into those five years that in a less unsettled world would have occurred in a far longer span of history. So we take note of our anniversary as a chronicler of events of deep significance to the world Jewish community, and particularly to our courageous co-religionists in the national homeland.

We have chosen this anniversary, too, as a means of testing public reaction to the manner in which we have carried out our responsibilities as a Jewish community newspaper. On this page are many letters from community leaders and others outside the so-called establishment, telling us that they think we have done a pretty fair job. Some are critical as well, and we accept the criticism with good grace. The day when a newspaper pleases everyone, is the day it has failed to fulfil its journalistic responsibilities. We aren't always right, but we keep trying.

Our pledge to the readership we serve is to continue our policy of presenting news fairly and accurately, devoting space to analysis of domestic and international events, and providing a forum for the airing of readers' views. The credibility of a newspaper is its most important asset, for without credibility – that is, public trust in its journalistic integrity – a newspaper becomes a self-serving organ with little regard for the public good.

A competent staff of professionals produces The Canadian Jewish News and evidence of the calibre of their work lies in the fact that the newspaper won three Smolar Awards for excellence in North American Jewish journalism in 1975. This international recognition is a source of great satisfaction, as are the words of commendation from our readers. We do get some brickbats sent our way; bouquets are much nicer.

Ruth Hyman

Editor,
The Canadian Jewish News

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ARAB NATIONS TO LAUNCH DIPLOMATIC THRUST AT UN

Eban promises counterattack

UNITED NATIONS (JTA-ICNS)–Israel is anticipating a two-pronged diplomatic assault in the United Nations spearheaded by Jordan in the Security Council and Egypt in the General Assembly.

Foreign Minister Abba Eban said at a cabinet meeting last week that the Israeli delegation would expose the full story of atrocities and desecration during Jordan's 19-year occupation of East Jerusalem if Jordan raised the question of Jerusalem in the Security Council. Egypt, meanwhile, was said to be planning to seek a pro-Arab "interpretation" of the Security Council Resolution 242 when the General Assembly begins its session Sept. 21.

The semi-official Cairo newspaper Al Ahram reported that Egypt will press for a Security Council debate on the Middle East crisis and will request permission to participate although it is not a council member. Other sources said, however, that Egypt intends to bypass the council and seek an assembly consensus that Resolution 242 requires total Israeli withdrawal behind the pre-June 1967 armistice lines.

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SEEKS ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION

The sources said that Egypt is convinced that one of the Western powers would veto such a resolution in the council but that it could muster the two-thirds majority necessary for passage in the assembly. An assembly resolution would be in the nature of a recommendation and, therefore, not binding but would have a strong political effect.

Beirut radio said that Egyptian President Sadat and other Arab heads of state may attend the assembly session, apparently to capture the initiative and limelight from Jordan in the Middle East debate. According to secretary, Eban warned that a Security Council debate on Jerusalem would be harmful to the peaceful situation that prevails in the city. The foreign minister stressed that Israel's position on Jerusalem is unchanged–that the city must remain united, undivided and must be developed for the benefit of all its inhabitants.

CRITICIZES U.S. INACTION

Several cabinet ministers reportedly criticized the United States for not doing enough to avert the council debate on Jerusalem. Eban did not give an evaluation of the possible outcome of a vote on the subject in the council.

It is understood that Israel raised the subject in recent diplomatic contacts with the U.S. Sources here said Washington has apparently reversed a previous stand and is not now making active effort to avert a Jerusalem debate.

Meanwhile Syria and Egypt were reported to be laying the groundwork for enlarging the debate to cover Israeli actions in their own last territories.

THANT TO PUBLICIZE PROTEST

This week, U Thant the UN secretary-general, is expected to make public a protest he has delivered to Israel over her demolition of houses in Palestinian refugee camps in the occupied Gaza Strip. Mahmoud Riad, the Egyptian foreign minister, has also lodged a protest with the UN on the issue.

Israel's reply is that demolitions are for security purposes to build patrol roads and that the Arabs are being offered other housing and compensation.

Gunnar Jarring, the UN special envoy to the Middle East, is expected to return in time for the assembly session from his post as Swedish envoy in Moscow.

President Sadat

·on the wire·

DAYAN AGREES TO PERMIT WEST BANK MAYORS TO HOLD FIRST POLITICAL MEETING SINCE 1967

Jerusalem – Defense Minister Moshe Dayan has given permission for the first political meeting of West Bank Arab notables since the June, 1967 Six Day War.

Dayan was reported today to have informed the mayors of towns in Judaea and Samaria that they may convene a large gathering to discuss "whatever it deemed fit." Sheikh Mohammed Ali Jaabari, the Mayor of Hebron, has confirmed that a gathering "will be held" though the time and place have not been decided. The projected meeting will be an outgrowth of the first conference of West Bank mayors held at Beit Sahur three weeks ago.

16 SUSPECTED TERRORISTS DETAINED BY SECURITY FORCES; ARMED TERRORIST KILLED

Tel Aviv – Sixteen suspected Arab terrorists were detained yesterday by Israeli security forces searching the El Burej refugee camp in the Gaza Strip. Some of those detained may have been involved in a murder in the camp last week, according to Israeli officials.

El Burej was one of the first camps in which security roads were constructed and it has been one of the quietest camps in the Gaza Strip. But because of the murder there last week, Israeli forces accompanied by Defense Minister Moshe Dayan and the army's southern commander Aric Sharon, surrounded the camp last week and ordered the men to concentrate in the plaza.

After an identification parade, the Israelis detained the 16 who are suspected of subversive activities. In another refugee camp, Jebaliya, an armed terrorist was killed during an encounter with an Israeli army patrol yesterday afternoon. Three other terrorists escaped and searches were conducted to catch them.

BRITISH POLICE OFFICERS VISIT ISRAEL

Tel Aviv – A party of 25 senior British police officers who left the country in 1947 after serving for many years in different parts as members of the British Mandatory police force arrived on Saturday for a tour of Israel. For many it is a sentimental journey.

The visitors are led by Chief Superintendent Johnson, of London, and another member is Major Edward Cosgrave, a former senior CID officer. Meetings have been arranged with Israeli police officers.

In the days just before the Mandate ended, many of the visitors were employed in the difficult task of finding solutions to delicate situations involving Britons, Jews and Arabs.

CJN readership zooms with new subscriptions

Beginning with this issue, the Canadian Jewish News has several thousand new readers as the result of a special arrangement between the newspaper and the United Jewish Appeal of Toronto.

All contributors of $25 and over will receive the paper every week, and the UJA will cease publication of its monthly newspaper, the Toronto Jewish Reporter.

The UJA has long held the belief that the Toronto Jewish community urgently needs a strong weekly newspaper to cover fully and objectively the wide and varied activities of the local Jewish population, as well as worldwide news of Jewish interest.

We believe that under its new management the Canadian Jewish News can provide that type of publication.

We are pleased therefore to co-operate with the publishers in helping The Canadian Jewish News to attain the widest possible circulation.

We wish the publication well and look forward to a long and meaningful relationship with the publishers and editors.

Stephen Berger, President
United Jewish Appeal of Metro Toronto

Lionel Carr, Q.C., President
United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto

New ownership

Just in case you were away for the summer and missed the initial announcement, we are repeating an important statement published on Friday, July 9th, 1971. The statement read:

Three Toronto businessmen, Murray B. Koffler, Albert J. Latner (representing the Greenwin Group), and Ray D. Wolfe, announced today the purchase (The Canadian Jewish News from North American Press Limited.

The newspaper will henceforth be published by The Canadian Jewish News, a corporation without share capital. The directors are Murray B. Koffler, Albert J. Latner and Ray D. Wolfe.

Sol I. Littman, formerly executive director of the Canada Israel Committee, has been appointed managing editor.

Speaking for the new directors, Wolfe stated that The Canadian Jewish News will be operated on a non-profit basis on behalf of the Jewish community.

Important changes in the newspaper's content and appearance are planned. The new format will become effective with the issue of Friday, September 10th, 1971.

While concentrating initially in Ontario, the paper's area of coverage will be expanded as soon as practicable to serve the entire Canadian Jewish community.

in this issue

- Toronto's Jewish Community, vibrant and pulsating. Miriam Herman tells you what's new and who's doing what. Page 2
- Religious passions in Irish tragedy have lead to brutality and murder... what have Christian leaders done to curb the excesses of their followers. Page 4
- So The Canadian Jewish News aims to give Canadian Jewry a voice. J.B. Salsberg's Uncle Eliezer is a little apprehensive... but "Bubah". Page 5
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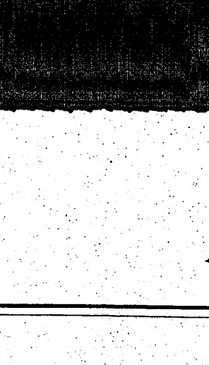

Bassett criticizes Rosenberg on tax aid statement

by Lewis Levendel

Toronto Telegram publisher John Bassett has strongly challenged Rabbi Stuart E. Rosenberg for his "unjust" and "inaccurate" criticisms of Ontario Premier William Davis' rejection of the extension of provincial aid to parochial schools.

In an unsolicited letter to CJN Managing Editor Sol I. Littman, Bassett said Rabbi Rosenberg's statement last week "was totally inaccurate and the most unfair criticism."

Rosenberg, Beth Tzedec rabbi and chairman of the Committee for Government Aid to Jewish Day Schools, in a special statement to the CJN last week, said:

Premier Davis has unfortunately, and perhaps unwittingly politicized the question when it should not have been done that way. He has obviously made a calculation that this will help him in his search for re-election."

John Bassett

Bassett in his letter said the rabbi "should be the last man to charge Premier Davis with motives when the premier specifically expressed the view that he hoped his decision would not become a political question."

It is most disheartening to see a man of God make this kind of an attack on a public figure who obviously can not reply for himself in such a case," Bassett wrote.

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A Toronto day school

School start on Rosh Hashonah sparks controversy at York U.

by Paul Ogden

The scheduling of York University's first two lecture days to coincide with Rosh Hashonah has aroused a sharp controversy between Jewish Community spokesmen and university authorities.

The opening days of classes are critically important, according to David Sadowski, a York student and a spokesman for the Jewish Student Federation there.

It is on these days that reading lists are passed out and orientation lectures presented. According to Sadowski, if the first day is missed, a senior student is virtually a week behind before he starts. Jewish students–estimates place the enrolment between 4,000 and 5,000 at York–will be unable to attend classes during Rosh Hashonah.

After many protests from Jewish students and the Canadian Jewish Congress, the York University senate executive met to discuss the problem last Friday evening.

Dean John Saywell was to present a motion calling for the cancellation of classes for the faculty of arts during the high holy days.

Sadowski felt that the motion would probably pass, but if it failed, the Jewish Student Federation would plan some action against the university. "A protest will be made, but we haven't decided what dimension it will take," he stated.

The University of Toronto and Seneca Community College in North York (which has a heavy Jewish enrollment) are not affected because of an earlier opening date.

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This is a front-page reproduction of one of the first issues of The Canadian Jewish News under its new ownership. It shows, at least according to the main story five years ago, that little has changed regarding the UN and Mideast.

It is difficult to realize that the "new" Canadian Jewish News is only five years old – its weekly appearance seems to be so much a part of the Toronto scene that one assumes it has always been here. Of course, the vagaries of the Canadian Postal Service remind us frequently that it is somewhere else than in our mail boxes – but that is not The CJN's fault.

I congratulate the editor and his staff – and I compliment them – but at the same time I wonder if there cannot be a greater coverage of controversial community issues – and even of non-controversial ones. I cannot resist the feeling that frequently the paper waits for the news to come to it rather than seeking and researching and digging to find its own sources and stories. It was less than satisfactory, in my view, for The CJN to rely on news services and belated interviews in regard to Brussels II, for instance, especially since one of your top reporters was in Israel just before Brussels II and could easily have come home via Brussels.

Perhaps Uncle Eliezer may have some additional thoughts about improvements – I limit myself to the above which I offer as constructive criticism – if The CJN were not serving the community and serving it well, there would be no point to my writing at all. Above all, The CJN must be fearlessly independent and must never allow itself to become the voice of the 'establishment'. The so-called 'establishment' will only be improved by an honest, forthright weekly press.

I look forward to your next five years – many more, even 120 – with anticipation. Now that your place is secure, you can concentrate on serving the community ever better and better.

Sydney M. Harris,
National President,
Canadian Jewish Congress

In the five years of its existence, we have seen The Canadian Jewish News become a newspaper of real quality. The best thing about it is that it is read, and it is read by people of all ages.

My congregation, Temple Har Zion, is made up essentially of families in their 30s. While we might expect families in that age group not to be attracted by a Jewish community newspaper, The CJN is interesting enough, lively enough, and informative enough so that it is indeed read by the people in my congregation. I commend you on this achievement.

Its articles are well written, thoughtful and informative. I personally look forward to receiving my copy each week.

I would suggest that Liberal Judaism in both its Reform and Conservative expressions, needs more coverage in the newspaper.

Your series "Ask the Rabbi" should, perhaps, have been called "Ask the Orthodox Rabbi." The only regular religious column you have now is "Sparks from the Torah." Perhaps there should be some channel available for the liberal religious part of the Jewish community to have regular expression.

I look forward to the continuing high level of journalism which your newspaper represents and the development of ever more creative ways to serve the Jewish community as a vehicle of expression, information and criticism.

Rabbi Michael S. Stroh,
Temple Har Zion

Please accept the congratulations and very best wishes of AJCS of Montreal for the quality of excellence which has marked The Canadian Jewish News, particularly during the past year. We have noted the progress and improvement in almost each issue. You deserve to feel proud of your achievement in the relatively short five year period.

We wish we could afford to distribute the paper widely in every Jewish home in Montreal.

Joseph Ain,
President, Allied Jewish Community Services, Montreal

Congratulations on your "anniversary" and best wishes for continuing success and popularity.

I appreciate the extensive coverage of local, national and international news and views of Jewish concern, and make a point of reading every issue.

You are to be commended for a significant contribution to the Jewish scene by keeping our people knowledgeable and aware of developments at home and around the world. Your coverage of events in Israel is especially noteworthy, and the reports on State of Israel Bond progress and functions is most exemplary.

Allan Bronfman,
National President,
State of Israel Bonds

The Hadassah–WIZO Organization wishes to commend The Canadian Jewish News, on its outstanding service to the Jewish community during the past five years of publication.

Throughout that time, the paper has served as an invaluable source of news, information and thoughtful commentary on a broad spectrum of local and international events. We have appreciated the generally positive editorial approach which has generated a cohesive feeling within the community–and the strong positions articulated vis a vis Jewish affairs.

May we congratulate you and your staff on maintaining a consistently fair and responsible standard of journalism, and take this opportunity to wish you continued success in the future.

Roslyn Mendelson,
President, Toronto Hadassah

Every editor reduces the number of publications that come across his desk as best he can. To look at every paper and periodical available is to invite paralysis as well as blindness. My own system of selection is constantly changing. What is essential – that's the criterion. I needed I.F. Stone during the Vietnam war. Would I need him today? I guess Stone answered the question for me.

For five years now, The Canadian Jewish News has been a regular part of my reading and of the reading of other members of the editorial board. I know of no other community newspaper that consistently deals in such a provocative way with local, national and international issues.

The paper's news sense is remarkable – it catches stories the metropolitan press and news magazines have missed or neglected and it relates them to concerns that are deeply felt in Canada. The editorials are often scholarly and not infrequently challenging. I'm probably a typical reader – I don't always agree with the editor.

J. B. Salsberg is a particular asset. He has to be one of the best columnists in the business today.

Congratulations on your anniversary and best wishes for the next five years – and 50 years.

Richard J. Doyle,
Editor, The Globe and Mail

The Jewish press is the weakest link in the chain of Jewish survival. Because most Jewish newspapers provide so little in the way of genuine news and are so bland, they are ignored by the well-educated younger Jews on whose sense of commitment the future of the Jewish community depends.

The Canadian Jewish News stands out like a beacon of light in this generally dark picture. It is, first of all, a real newspaper. Rather than limiting itself, like so many of its compatriots elsewhere in North America, to writeups on community worthies and synagogue functions, supplemented by photographs of blushing brides and curly-haired bar mitzvah boys, it prints in-depth stories of Jewish interest written by reporters who would do credit to a Metropolitan daily. And though The CJN remains within the bounds of the Jewish consensus, it also provides a platform for those who question the policies endorsed by most Jews.

If Judaism is to survive in North America, many more Jewish newspapers in the U.S. and Canada will have to be transformed in the same way that The CJN – thanks to enlightened owners and a devoted staff – has been transformed over the last few years.

Nechemia Meyers,
Weizmann Institute,
Rehovot, Israel

It is my respectful opinion that The Canadian Jewish News has made a notable contribution to the life of the Jewish community in chronicling all the events of the day, both good and bad, both tragic and comic, both accurate and not so accurate, controversial and non-controversial, and sometimes just plain gossipy. I have always looked forward to receiving my copy at my home, oftimes at least three days late, and one of the greatest casualties of the most recent postal strike was that I missed most of all receiving my copy of your newspaper.

There are times that I read items in it that have made me fit to be tied, and I have felt like dashing off a thousand words in protest. There are other times when I felt like suing for libel but felt I could not afford the court costs. And there are other times when I felt that the excellence of your newspaper could not be improved upon, because you printed a picture of me on your front page. So all in all with me you have had your ups and downs and I hail your fifth anniversary with undiluted congratulations and best wishes for your future.

Seriously speaking, I do feel that The CJN has developed itself into a pretty serious and authoritative journal of news and public events and editorial opinion which has added a great deal to the substance of community life such as we know it in Toronto.

I would like to see more "in depth" articles having to do with the problems pertaining to Jewish life and a little less emphasis given to some of the superficial controversial stuff that goes on in some of the organizational activities of our community. I would also like to see a greater degree of emphasis given on matters of national and international importance in Jewish life and a little less emphasis on parochial fund-raising activities, as important as they may be.

All in all, I would like to think that the last five years were formative years of what can be a very important organ of Jewish opinion, not only in Toronto but nationally and internationally, and that in due course The CJN will become the New York Times of the Jewish world.

Philip G. Givens Q.C., M.P.P.,
President,
Canadian Zionist Federation

I would like to pay tribute to The Canadian Jewish News on this fifth anniversary under its new owners.

A community as large, diverse, and concerned as Canadian Jewry must have a newspaper with wide circulation and broad news coverage which will give expression to all of its major elements. Reporting of news and editorial commentary must be analytical and well-balanced – and it must often take sides–sometimes the unpopular side–on controversial issues within the community.

I believe that The CJN, in the last five years, has striven to meet this standard and has steadily raised the levels of information and communication within the Canadian Jewish community.

I trust you will prosper and grow in the future and continue to make your outstanding contribution to the life of the Jews of Canada.

M. E. Harris,
Chairman,
Canadian Jewish Congress,
Central Region

More letters on Pages 9, 10 and 12.

I am pleased to send greetings to the readers and staff of The Canadian Jewish News. Please accept my sincere congratulations on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of this fine publication.

Best wishes for your future editions.

Pierre Elliott Trudeau,
Prime Minister of Canada

On the fifth anniversary of The Canadian Jewish News, I am delighted with the opportunity to say a few words.

The CJN has been a blessing to the Jewish community in Toronto and has reflected the community in many of its varied aspects and contributions to communal life. Moreover, it gives voice to many who should be heard and have not previously had that opportunity.

In this day and age when communication is so vital, your paper has touched many neglected spots in the community about which little was hitherto known or appreciated. Foremost, there has been a total commitment to Israel and you have been unwavering in your support with little time for faint hearts and half-open pocketbooks.

A house organ it never was, yet it speaks and is welcomed in many houses in the community.

With very best wishes for continued service.

Senator David Croll,
Ottawa

I welcome this opportunity to congratulate The Canadian Jewish News as it celebrates the fifth anniversary of its operations under present leadership.

The Canadian Jewish News has become a responsible voice for a very important community in the rich fabric of Ontario society, and a journal to which many of us here in government have often made reference as we seek to provide legislation for the good of all Ontario citizens.

We here at Queen's Park wish you many more years of success and service to your readers.

William G. Davis,
Premier of Ontario

Congratulations on the fifth anniversary of the "re-birth" of The Canadian Jewish News.

The award of three Smolar Awards for excellence in Anglo-Jewish journalism, happily confirms my own judgment that The CJN is informative, well written, cleanly presented and a credit to those who produce it. The paper is essential reading for those who wish to be fully informed on current Jewish thinking and activities throughout the nation, and in fact the world.

Please accept my sincere wishes for the continued success of your fine newspaper — a credit to journalism and to the Jewish community in Canada.

Stuart Smith,
Leader, Liberal Party of Ontario

I have always found your newspaper interesting reading. It is a vigorous exponent of issues that concern Canadian Jews and the state of Israel.

Congratulations on the occasion of your fifth birthday. May you continue to successfully serve your public for many years to come.

J. E. Broadbent,
Leader, New Democratic Party

My job requires me to look at Ontario weekly newspapers regularly. I know of few papers which equal, and none which surpass The Canadian Jewish News. Its coverage of the community, the standard of its reporting, and the attractiveness of layout are outstanding.

Long may it thrive!

John Roberts,
Member of Parliament
for St. Paul's

Buying of subscriptions served information need

On June 1, 1971, a combined meeting of the boards of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto and the United Jewish Appeal of Metropolitan Toronto approved a resolution calling for the purchase of subscriptions to a new community newspaper for all UJA contributors of $25 and over. The cost was $3.50 per subscription per annum and the arrangement was to last for three years.

The resolution specified that the newspaper must be operated by a non-profit corporation, and must be published weekly. It was agreed that only one subscription would be permitted to a household.

Thus was born the arrangement between the Toronto Jewish community and The Canadian Jewish News — an arrangement which is still in effect after five years and which has given the community a strong and effective medium of communication and information.

The resolution, although a little vague by specifying subscriptions to "a community newspaper," was really quite specific for it was, actually, approving a proposal by Ray D. Wolfe that a non-profit corporation buy The CJN and that "any profits that may accrue over the years be used for the benefit of the Jewish community."

According to Benjamin Schneider, executive vice-president of the Welfare Fund, communal leaders had long felt a need for a vehicle to reach the public on a weekly basis with information on the UJA campaign and on Jewish community life. "The lack of communication with the Jewish public was one of our inadequacies, and we felt it keenly," said Schneider. "We tried to tell the story with our Jewish Reporter, during the campaign period, but this publication was issued only once a month and readership suffered from the fact that we were a house organ."

Schneider said there had been negotiations earlier to buy The Canadian Jewish News but they had been unsuccessful. However, when the owner decided he was ready to sell, "we were able to prevail on Ray Wolfe to arrange the purchase."

Actually, the UJA and UJWF were following in the footsteps of many of the larger Jewish communities in the U.S. by taking over existing Anglo-Jewish publications to make certain they would continue in business to serve the informational needs of the community. But rather than place the financial load of operating the newspaper directly on the UJA and UJWF, Ray Wolfe, with the able assistance of Don Carr, prominent Toronto lawyer, agreed to organize the non-profit corporation which would cover the capital investment and operating losses and return any profits to the community. The original group underwriting the purchase of the paper and its operation were Wolfe, Albert J. Latner and Murray B. Koffler.

Subsequently, George Cohon joined the board as part of his expanding involvement in community affairs in general and Israel Bonds in particular. (This involved assuming one-quarter of the original purchase price and the accumulated losses to that date.)

The UJWF–UJA resolution urged also "that an effort be made to approach other communal organizations to participate in the purchase of subscription arrangement so that hopefully everyone in the community would receive the newspaper and possibly reduce the costs to the UJA–UJWF." It took a while to make this effective but eventually the State of Israel Bonds Organization and the Jewish National Fund purchased subscriptions. Then, the United Israel Appeal bought subscriptions to cover Jewish homes in Ontario outside the Metro Toronto area.

At the end of the three-year period, when the arrangement was being reviewed, the UJWF and UJA officers agreed unanimously that "The CJN fulfils a real need in the community

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Announcement of The CJN's arrangement with the UJWF and UJA of Toronto, and a statement respecting the new ownership, were front-page items in one of the first issues following its purchase.

CJN readership zooms with new subscriptions

Beginning with this issue, the Canadian Jewish News has several thousand new readers as the result of a special arrangement between the newspaper and the United Jewish Appeal of Toronto.

All contributors of $25 and over will receive the paper every week, and the UJA will cease publication of its monthly newspaper, the Toronto Jewish Reporter.

The UJA has long held the belief that the Toronto Jewish community urgently needs a strong weekly newspaper to cover fully and objectively the wide and varied activities of the local Jewish population, as well as worldwide news of Jewish interest.

We believe that under its new management, the Canadian Jewish News can provide this type of publication.

We are pleased, therefore, to cooperate with the publishers in helping The Canadian Jewish News to attain the widest possible circulation.

We wish the publication well and look forward to a long and meaningful relationship with the publishers and editors.

Stephen Berger, President,
United Jewish Appeal of Metro Toronto

Donald Carr, Q.C., President,
United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto

New ownership

Just in case you were away for the summer and missed the initial announcement, we are repeating an important statement published on Friday, July 9th, 1971. The statement read:

"Three Toronto businessmen, Murray B. Koffler, Albert J. Latner (representing the Greenwin Group), and Ray D. Wolfe, announced today the purchase of The Canadian Jewish News from North American Press Limited.

The newspaper will henceforth be published by The Canadian Jewish News–a corporation without share capital. The directors are: Murray B. Koffler, Albert J. Latner and Ray D. Wolfe.

Sol I. Littman, formerly executive director of the Canada/Israel Committee, has been appointed managing editor.

Speaking for the new directors, Wolfe stated that The Canadian Jewish News will be operated on a non-profit basis on behalf of the Jewish community.

Important changes in the newspaper's content and appearance are planned. The new format will become effective with the issue of Friday, September 10th, 1971.

While concentrating initially in Ontario, the paper's area of coverage will be expanded as soon as practicable to serve the entire Canadian Jewish community."

Congratulations on the fifth anniversary

of

The Canadian Jewish News.

May it long continue to serve our community.

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We get Mazel Tov as CJN enters 6th year

Mazel tov on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the new CJN.

Your anniversary coincides with my fifth anniversary as public relations director of the UJA and Toronto Jewish Congress, so perhaps we can celebrate together the fact that the community and particularly the UJA, the TJC, the local Jewish agencies and the various programs of Congress are being publicized better than ever before because The CJN is doing its job so well. In my opinion, The CJN has served as a unifying and rallying force in the community during a time of extreme stress and strain.

I can tell you frankly that it was a great relief to me when the Welfare Fund board of directors agreed on June 1, 1971, to discontinue its house organ, The Jewish Reporter, in favor of buying subscriptions to The CJN for UJA contributors.

While the Jewish Reporter was a first-class house organ, I had doubts as to its effectiveness and influence in the community and, as a long time editor, I realized the need for an editorial product that would have wide appeal. So when the Welfare Fund decided to encourage the new CJN in a very tangible way, I was very pleased because I knew it would make my task much more manageable. What is even better is that the new CJN fulfilled my expectations completely as to how a community newspaper should operate.

I greatly admire the professionalism of the editorial department and the efficient manner in which it goes about its job. I don't always agree with the way the editor plays the stories on Page 1 . . . especially when I feel that one of my UJA or TJC stories rates top position but that, of course, is purely a non-objective view.

You are doing a great job and I am proud that the organizations I serve are part of such a worthwhile community endeavor.

Keep it up.

Maurice Lucow,
Public Relations Director,
Toronto Jewish Congress

The highest praise one can pay an editor is to tell him that his is a good newspaper. A good newspaper is one of the hardest things in the world to produce. To prove this all you have to do is try and find one.

Some are too dull; some are too sensational; some are too biased; and some take no stand at all. Some are full of typographical errors and some are full of nothing. It takes a lot of talent, a lot of hard work and a lot of sensitivity to produce a good newspaper week after week after week. The Canadian Jewish News is a good newspaper. It serves its readers; it leads its readers. May it continue to do both of these.

Baycrest Centre is pleased to extend anniversary congratulations to all those responsible for bringing us The Canadian Jewish News each week.

Eric Exton,
President, Baycrest Centre

'THE CJN HAS EARNED ITS PLACE AS A COMMUNITY INSTITUTION'

Five years is a long time when one is young, and an even longer span in the volatile world of Jewish journals, where survival itself is a notable achievement. You have not only survived, you have grown; and most important, you have taken your special position and task seriously.

What better sense of achievement is there than to know that the community is reading you! They may agree or disagree, but they care about your reportage, your columnists, your opinions. To owners, editors and staff, I therefore extend a cordial Yevasher Kochachem!

Dr. W. Gunther Plaut,
Holy Blossom Temple rabbi,
Toronto

Please accept my warm congratulations on the fifth anniversary of The Canadian Jewish News in its present format.

I am, naturally, a regular reader of your newspaper, and admire it for the coverage of news that it provides, of Jewish and Israel interest, as well as for the wide and sophisticated range of opinion that is reflected in it.

I should also like to take this opportunity of expressing to you my gratitude for your steadfast support of Israel, as well as for your sympathy and understanding of the problems and challenges that Israel faces.

Mordechai Shalev,
Ambassador of Israel to Canada

We are very pleased to have enjoyed a warm and friendly association with The Canadian Jewish News. And we have found your paper to be a very important and informative vehicle serving the Jewish community in Canada, both from a business and a journalistic point of view.

The CJN also serves as an important link between Israel, Canada and other parts of the world and assists in identifying and promoting trade and investments in Israel.

We look forward to many more fruitful years of co-operation and productivity, and extend to you our congratulations, and best wishes on this, your fifth anniversary.

Ephraim Raviv,
Israel consul and
trade commissioner, Toronto

It is a bit difficult to realize that The Canadian Jewish News has been publishing and serving the community under the present owners for five years.

Since I was in a limited way influential in bringing the paper into being in its present form, I can say without hesitation my interest and desires for the Jewish community to have a readable, intelligent and good means of bringing local and international Jewish news to our community has been fulfilled. The paper has told the story of UJA, how the local agencies serve the community, and the problems that agencies face in programing and funding. The Canadian Jewish News has indeed filled a void.

Just in case you think you're perfect, remember that I have been both critical and expressed differences of opinion on news coverage and some editorial policies. But then the editor has a responsibility to listen and then do what he considers best for the paper.

For the handling of a very tough assignment and turning The CJN into a quality newspaper, the editor and the owners are indeed to be congratulated.

Benjamin Schneider,
Executive Vice-President,
United Jewish Welfare Fund

I have been a subscriber to The Canadian Jewish News since its inception, but I must say that since July 1971, the paper has taken on a new dramatic and much more informative and lively format.

I read most of the North American Anglo-Jewish magazines and periodicals, including The Jerusalem Post, and many of the English press newspapers and magazines, but I always make time to read The Canadian Jewish News every week.

I may not always agree with your editorials, but they are usually concise and to the point.

Personally, I am gratified with the co-operation given to B'nai Brith in your recent issues by Associate Editor Lewis Levendel, and I have confidence that we will continue to pursue our press conferences in the future.

I am not familiar with the scope of your circulation, but I hope that your future plan includes distribution to every city in Canada, since I find that your paper is au courant with the news of Israel and world Jewry.

On behalf of the Canadian B'nai Brith District 22, we wish you a hearty mazel tov on your fifth anniversary. Keep up the good work.

Morris Flicht,
President, Canadian B'nai Brith,
District 22

On behalf of the Jewish Public Library I am delighted to have this opportunity of wishing you continued success in the publication of The Canadian Jewish News.

Your excellent coverage of Jewish events throughout the world, the high quality of the editorials, and the special features and articles which allow free expression of opinion have made The CJN the outstanding source of information about Jewish life not only in Canada, but around the world.

The Jewish Public Library welcomes this opportunity to express its gratitude for your co-operation and helpfulness in publicizing our events, and through the media of your newspaper bringing our activities to the attention of the public.

It is our fervent hope that you may grow from strength to strength and that you will continue to serve the Jewish community in a myriad of ways far into the future.

Meyer Feldman, President,
Jewish Public Library, Toronto

WRITER TELLS STORY OF JEWISH PRESS

By A. J. ARNOLD

WINNIPEG – When many organizations and institutions in Canadian Jewish life today have already celebrated 50th anniversaries, and some have even celebrated centennials, a fifth anniversary may not loom very large. An Anglo-Jewish weekly newspaper however, operated according to the best journalistic traditions and standards, is a great rarity in Canada and for this reason alone, its fifth anniversary acquires special significance.

The importance of the achievements of The CJN in the past five years will be better understood if we examine it firstly in the light of the history of Jewish journalism in Canada and secondly in the light of efforts to provide an improved news media for the Jewish community.

Jewish journalism in Canada had its beginnings with the establishment of the Canadian Jewish Times in Montreal in the late 1890s, by those two renowned pioneers of community service, Lyon Cohen and S. W. Jacobs. And incidently the first editor was the Irish-Canadian poet, Carrol Ryan.

By about 1910 Yiddish newspapers came into their own in Canada with the establishment of Der Kanader Adler, in Montreal, Der Yiddisher Journaal, in Toronto, and Der Kanader Yid, later Di Yiddishe Vort, in Winnipeg.

The Yiddish newspapers in particular did a thorough job in reporting and reflecting the life and times of the major Jewish communities during the period when Yiddish was the first language of the great majority of Canada's Jews.

During the 1920s a number of Anglo-Jewish weeklies were established across the country, largely after the style of those in the U.S. Looking back over the past 50 years however it must be said that the development of the Anglo-Jewish press was rather uneven. While Winnipeg has had two Anglo-Jewish weeklies publishing without interruption for the entire half-century, the same cannot be said for Montreal and Toronto.

In Montreal the Canadian Jewish Chronicle succeeded the Times in the 1920s. The Canadian Jewish Review began in Toronto, moved to Montreal and attempted to serve both cities. By the mid-1960s however these two publications ended their separate existence and were merged into the Canadian Jewish Chronicle Review, now a companion publication of The CJN.

(I am dealing here only with weeklies intended to serve the community as regular media of communication.)

When I was serving as public relations director for Allied Jewish Community Services in Montreal during the first half of the 1960s, we developed a plan for a community-sponsored newspaper that would go far beyond a 'house organ' type of publication. I believe a similar idea was being discussed in Toronto at that time.

The Canadian Jewish News had already been started as a private venture and was the first weekly in Toronto for many years. Neither the Chronicle or Review in Montreal however, or The CJN of that day in Toronto, had anywhere near full community circulations. And to be sure, the circulation of the Winnipeg weeklies was no better in spite of their longevity.

When the plan for a community newspaper in Montreal was under consideration one possibility was of course that the existing weeklies would be purchased and merged. Those who favored the plan felt that only when a newspaper came to be regarded as a community institution serving all elements without prejudice and established in such a way that it would reach virtually every Jewish home, would the best interests of the community be served.

Those who opposed the community paper plan felt it would interfere with "free enterprise" as well as freedom of expression.

My own view was that a successful Anglo-Jewish weekly could really only be established as a kind of "mixed economy" enterprise. The assurance of maximum circulation through community support would also help to bring in maximum advertising revenue. Moreover a privately-owned newspaper was not necessarily a greater guarantee of freedom of expression. In fact from my own experience I felt that a community paper under the guidance of an enlightened board of directors and with the most competent editorial direction could go much further in assuring freedom of expression as well as high journalistic standards.

Well Montreal never bought the idea, but Toronto did, when Ray Wolfe took the initiative in bringing together a group of people who, five years ago, bought The CJN and established it as a non-profit enterprise for the benefit of the community. I believe that they have rendered an immense service to Toronto Jewry and The CJN is setting an example not only for the country, but for Anglo-Jewish journalism in North America.

There have of course been a few carping critics concerning the expenditure of community funds in support of CJN circulation. It appears to me that those critics represent an extremely partisan element, for the most part, which has little or no concern for the best interests of the community.

In spite of community support it is no easy task to run a first-rate Anglo-Jewish weekly and the staff deserves special commendation. The CJN is the first English-language Jewish newspaper in the country to have a proper editorial staff and correspondents, and to offer a consistent media service to everyone in the community. Like any other endeavor of its kind there is still room for improvement, but The CJN, in the past five years, has certainly earned its place as a community institution.

Abe Arnold began writing for Anglo-Jewish publications 30 years ago. From 1949–60, he was publisher-editor of the Jewish Western Bulletin of Vancouver. He was with AJCS five years before moving to Winnipeg.

I have been over the years an avid reader of The Canadian Jewish News. In fact, I have been told by many that the publication operates as an excellent source of information to those individuals who are not in every day contact with the Jewish problems of the day.

My involvement with The CJN is really in two categories. Firstly, as a resident of the city of Hamilton, I find that its coverage of our community events and personalities is informative and well received. Your reporter, Moura Wolpert, is to be commended on the fine reporting done by her.

The second area in which I have been involved pertains to B'nai Brith. Particularly over the past 15 months I have been a keen observer of that which is contained in your publication.

As a former president of B'nai Brith, The CJN was extremely generous in its coverage of our activities and involvement. Your analysis of B'nai Brith issues has been sensitive and positive in every respect. As a service organization the exposure given to our organization has been helpful and beneficial to us. It is sincerely desired and hoped that this relationship continues on this forthright basis.

William Morris, Q.C.,
Hamilton

The Canada Israel Chamber of Commerce extends its sincerest congratulations and best wishes to The Canadian Jewish News on the occasion of its fifth anniversary issue.

The membership of the Chamber recognizes the significance of your weekly as an important education and information link in both the worldwide Jewish and secular community as well as with the state of Israel.

We convey to the editorial staff of The CJN our compliments on the professional skills demonstrated in the journalistic achievements made by your publication.

C. K. Malamet,
Executive Director,
Canada–Israel Chamber of
Commerce & Industry

May we congratulate you on the fifth anniversary of the "rebirth" of The Canadian Jewish News.

Your paper is read in all the towns and cities in Ontario where Jews dwell.

As the United Israel Appeal has an ongoing contact with these communities, we are well aware of the fact The CJN does indeed provide a vital link between them and other communities in Canada and Israel.

Please accept our best wishes for your continued growth and the maintenance of quality reporting, for many years to come.

Alex Serota,
Chairman, Ontario Region,
United Israel Appeal of Canada

We write to congratulate you and The Canadian Jewish News on the fifth anniversary since your 're-birth' – it is not easy to be re-born!

Your paper has often reflected the toughest kind of investigative reporting – interviews, research, dialogues and on-the-spot recording. Your team staff inform, educate, often inspire and stimulate Jewish community members to a much greater awareness of local, national and world Jewish affairs.

Keep up the good work!

Max Shecter,
President, Central Region,
Canadian Zionist Federation

Bill Stern,
Executive Director

The Canadian Jewish News has over the past few years become a publication I look forward to receiving.

The editors and publishers are to be congratulated for creating a newspaper which reports the "facts", as opposed to the manner in which other media report the news, in a manner which would suggest that consideration be given to political expedience.

The Canadian Jewish community should feel proud to have such a splendid publication, so representative of their views and objectives.

Samuel Taylor, President,
Hamilton Jewish National Fund

Congratulations on the significant milestone now being celebrated by The Canadian Jewish News. Over the past five years, your publication has grown and developed into a constructive voice for Canadian Jewry, reflecting the varied cultural, religious and social interests and views of all segments of our community. Your coverage of events and developments in Israel and about Israel is equally commendable from the aspect of providing news, information, analysis and understanding of events.

The CJN has been most helpful in interpreting the State of Israel Bonds program – how the funds are raised, where invested, and why so crucial to the people and government of Israel. This has been no small factor in enabling the Bond effort to more than triple its aid to Israel in the past four years.

In the years ahead we wish you continued success in creating a positive and healthy atmosphere of Jewishness in all its aspects, and especially a heightened awareness of the problems and progress of our brethren in Eretz Israel.

Norine Daniels,
General Campaign Chairman

James M. Senor,
Executive Director,
Toronto State of Israel Bonds

Purchase of subscriptions served need

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and that it is essential that every effort must be made to sustain the paper . . ." Renewal of the arrangement was recommended, at $5 per subscription, for one year with a review to be made annually.

The original agreement specified that "the paper will be independent, prepared to criticize community institutions on a constructive basis and to serve as a responsible instrument for the dissemination of information."

The need for The CJN to be independent has been honored by the UJA and UJWF (and now the Toronto Jewish Congress) and there has been no pressure exerted on the newspaper to favor news from these organizations other than the usual discussions an editor expects from a public relations department.

Mazel Tov!
and
Congratulations
to

The Canadian Jewish News

Happy
Anniversary
from
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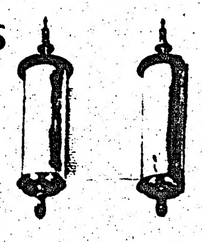

Torah passion can kosher and cool off traife passion

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Matos-Maasai/Rosh Chodesh Av (Wednesday)

Ish kee yidor neder la'Hashem... When a man voweth a vow unto the L—rd, he shall not break his word...

It's easier to fiddle on a roof than to fiddle on a rebbe — you can hit a sour note...

Two litigants came before Reb Joseph Babad (the Minhas Hinuch) for a **din Torah.** As they presented their cases, one man remarked — "Rebbe, I knew your father well — he conducted my wedding." The rebbe turned to the other man — "did my father conduct your wedding also?"

"What wedding?" the man answered cheerfully. "I'm not even married."

The rabbi shrugged. "Then I can't be your judge, gentlemen. I may favor the man who gave my father the business."

You can't be a sunny Jew with a foggy head — but everyone has his hurricanes in life. Consider...before he died, Moses reviewed the whole journey the Jews made in the desert — 42 stops in all — "**aileh maasai**...here to there, **ahin, ahair**..." The Jews wondered — "what is Moses starting, a travel agency? What's the difference where we were?"

But Moses explained — "not every trip is with Air Canada. From the time every Jew is born until he reaches the Promised Land — **Olam Haboh** — he has to pass through 42 stops and, levels. A Jew climbs to G—d, falls down, picks himself up again — from one **madregah** to another. If he keeps the Torah, he'll be safe — otherwise he may wind up in Beirut..." (Baal Shem Tov)

A Jew has to bounce better than a tennis ball — the more he's knocked down, the higher he jumps. Imagine...before the Jews reached Mount Sinai, "**va'yahanu bi'Refidim** — they encamped in Refidim..." It's strange, though — Refidim didn't even have a swim club — couldn't they stop in Miami, better?"

Ah, but it teaches... Refidim in Hebrew also means weak, a nebich... Before a Jew can jump up to the Ribono shel Olam, to Mount Sinai, he has to slip a little from his level from Yiddishkeit. There are times when even a Super-Jew feels like ice, that G—d is a million miles away... But if he holds on and cries out to the Almighty from a deep pit, then he will suddenly be swooped up like rocket... No Jew is ever alone — where he is, G—d is... (Rabbi Tzadok of Lublin)

But everyone has problems — even in Tel Aviv. A policeman saw a Yiddel teetering at the edge of a bridge, ready to commit suicide. He yelled — "listen, if you jump in, that means I have to jump in after you. I can't swim, and I have a wife and five children back home. Do me a favor — go home and hang yourself..."

But even air conditioning doesn't help when the **Yetzer Horah** makes things hot — for a Jew to run after temptation. You can only fight hanky-panky fire — with Torah fire. That's why we find an interesting thing...the Almighty warned — "**kol davar asher yavo ba'aish** — whatever **traife** fry-pan is used with fire, can only be koshered with fire..."

But since when is G—d in the catering business? But the Almighty said — "if a Jew is suddenly lit up with a **traife** fiery passion, the only way to kosher it is with Torah passion. Study Torah and take a mitzvah shower, and you'll cool off..." (Chida)

Where there's Torah, there's strength... When he was a young man, Reb Shmuel Salanter was told by a doctor that he had only a few months to live. He decided to live out his last days in Eretz Yisrael. He sat down in a bais medrash in Jerusalem, and passed away — 70 years later when he was in his 90's...

May we live long lives and full lives.

Fine reporting calibre commended by writer

The trials and tribulations confronted when attempting to formulate a new idea are sometimes too onerous for the average person or organization. More often than not the pressures, being too much of a burden to bear, lead to failure and utter despair.

I, for one, am grateful that The Canadian Jewish News did not succumb through its early difficulties. For the past five years, I have read this paper avidly, from cover to cover, and have noted with pleasure the increasing excellence in its quality and content.

The CJN is a paper to which I can easily relate and I am certain that I echo the sentiments of all who come in contact with it when I urge you to keep up the good work, flourish and continue to present to us, your readers, the fine calibre of reporting and editorials which we have become accustomed to read.

Congratulations on a job well done and happy fifth anniversary.

Al Foreman,
President,
Hamilton Jewish Federation

It is indeed with a sense of gratitude that I congratulate the editors and staff of our community newspaper The Canadian Jewish News on the significant five year milestone. Mazel tov.

One of the objectives of a newspaper is to bridge the gap between communal events and the community at large. This service has been effectively provided to all synagogues and organizations and thus presenting an ideal opportunity for all to become familiar with the background, programs and goals of our institutions.

On behalf of Lubavitch Youth Organization, I wish to thank The CJN for their co-operation and assistance in enabling us to circulate the message of Lubavitch and convey my best wishes for continued success in the future.

Rabbi Z. A. Grossbaum,
Executive Director,
Lubavitch Youth Organization

Steeles Memorial Chapel, Inc. is pleased to announce the appointment of David Daniel Haddow as funeral director.

Mr. Haddow's background in funeral service since 1957 makes him ideally suited to serve the Jewish community.

The professionalism that David will provide will be increasingly evident as members of the community make his acquaintance.

Steeles Memorial Chapel, Inc. is located at 350 Steeles Avenue West, between Bathurst and Yonge Streets.

The telephone number, 881-6000 is listed in all 1976 telephone directories.

Tightest security ever as Israel plays 0-0 tie in Olympic soccer

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During the game, Israel displayed a tough defence headed by tall Alon Ben-Dor of Beersheba. Twenty - three - year - old striker Yitzhak Peretz of Tel Aviv missed numerous goal scoring opportunities.

From the left side, Petah Tikvah's Moshe Shani (son of the Israeli team coach) had bad luck. He had Guatemalan goalie Ricardo Piccinini at his mercy early in the game, but couldn't control the ball as he drove in from the left side.

Late in the first half, Peretz had a clear break from the right side and kicked a hard shot which had Piccinini stretching to his left to gather in the ball.

In the second half, Israel had its best chance as a Shani shot hit the crossbar, came down hitting the goalie and was cleared by a defender before the ball crossed the goaline.

Israeli football writers were somewhat critical of the coach for failing to move up defenders to put additional pressure on the opposition's goal. Goaltender Itzhak Vissoker only had two hard chances in the game. Contests later this week were to determine whether Israel would be among the final eight teams going after Olympic gold.

Meanwhile from Jerusalem, the Jewish Telegraphic Agency reported many Israelis were uneasy and angered by what amounted to Taiwan's ouster from the games. These feelings stem from sympathy for a country being ostracized from an international event for purely political events — a humiliation often suffered by Israel.

But the main concern was the precedent this action would set for the 1980 Moscow games. Israel made no official expression of displeasure, said JTA, because it would "only offend Canada, a friendly nation with which Israel maintains diplomatic and trade relations." Israel has no diplomatic relations with Taiwan.

Thanks Israel

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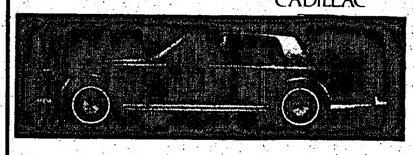

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Arab-Israeli wars have affected tranquility of Jerusalem's Biblical Zoo

By JUDY FRASER

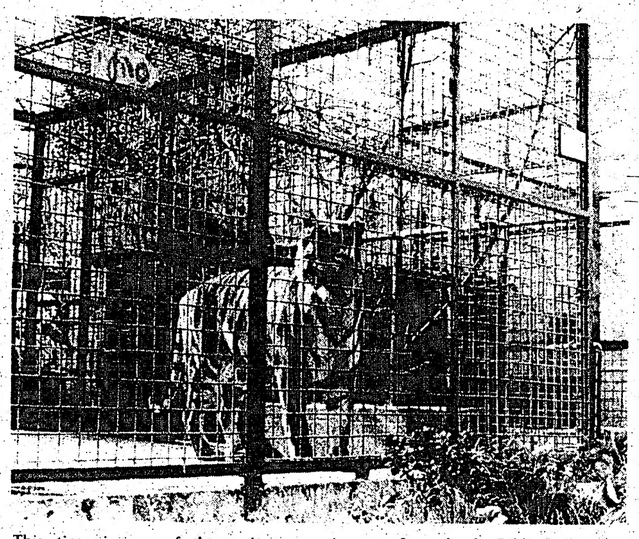
JERUSALEM —
In Israel's struggle to emerge and survive as a state, not all the casualties have been human. Animals at Jerusalem's Biblical Zoo have suffered too.

The zoo, located since 1950 in a suburb of Jerusalem called Romema, has a history as determined as that of the Israelis themselves.

Founded in 1939 by zoologist Aharon Shulov, its current chairman and director, the collection had reached 122 animals by 1947 when it became a target for sniper attacks.

Relocated on Mount Scopus on the eve of the War of Independence, it was besieged for three years during which all but 18 animals were either freed by Prof. Shulov or lost in the hostilities.

Again in 1967, during the Six Day War, the present site was sprayed with bullets and shrapnel with a resulting loss of more than 100 animals and birds from the restored and expanded collection of 700.



This tiger is one of the major attractions at Jerusalem's Biblical Zoo, a popular site for children. The zoo has been greatly affected by Israel's wars.

Veterans of these skirmishes, along with Prof. Shulov, are the pair of monkeys which began the project 37 years ago and are still on display today.

Almost a decade removed from this last shelling, the only reminder of strife is a scarred sign near the entrance. Today, the air is filled with the combined songs and shrieks of children playing in two nearby schoolyards and the zoo's vocal community of birds and fowl housed in open-air cages among the trees.

The animals, paired in most cases since it is a breeding rather than display zoo, have returned to the gentler pursuit of raising their young. A visitor to the zoo will inevitably find several new additions among the population.

The core of the collection includes at least one representative of all the animals mentioned in the bible.

Canadian visitors to the zoo, which is open seven days a week, will need to purchase their admission in advance from a ticket agency in Jerusalem if they want to attend on a Saturday. The same is true of most attractions which charge an entrance fee, since laws governing shabbat forbid, or at least discourage, any exchange of money on that day.

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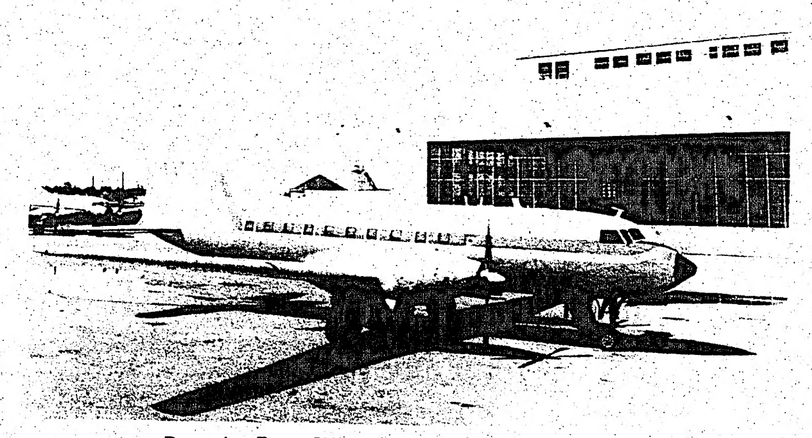

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School merger may come in 1977

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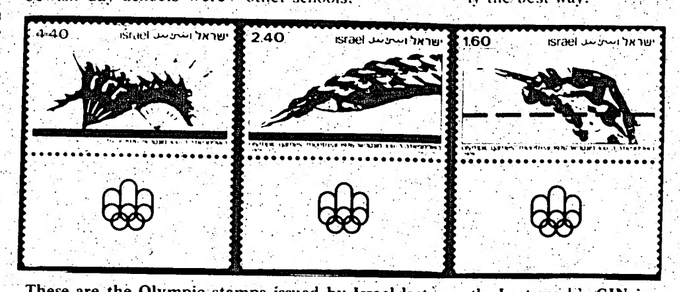
In return for public funds, Associated will be giving up control over the secular portion of its program. However, Shainhouse explained, "Associated Hebrew Schools will set up an advisory committee which will play a prominent role." The committee would, according to Arthur Kruger, another member of Associated's negotiating committee, be modelled along the lines of the advisory committee to the French public schools in North York.

Although Kruger acknowledged that "he who pays the piper picks the tune," he went on to point out that "it's a question of whether you can set up the institutional arrangements to have some input into the writing of the tune."

According to Tannenbaum and C.J. McCaffray, director of education for North York, how the pilot project will be implemented is still being worked out. For example, enrolment will have to be limited — the most likely solution is to refuse transfers from other Jewish day schools during the course of the pilot project. A detailed report will be ready for the regular August meeting of the North York Board, and in the meantime, the proposal has been submitted for approval to the board of Associated at its meeting last Tuesday night, after The CJN went to press.

Because of the secrecy with which negotiations were conducted, neither the Board of Jewish Education nor any of the other Jewish day schools were informed or consulted, according to BJE officials. As a result, BJE Chairman Mel Finkelstein explained, "we have had no opportunity to examine the proposals or to think through the implications for the board or for the other schools."

In the light of the financial pressures on the community, though, "the BJE regards an arrangement with North York essential," Finkelstein, continued, "and I think the way Associated has chosen to do it is absolutely the best way."



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City's tribute to heroic raid

LONDON, Ont. —

A community rally of thanksgiving and joy was recently held by the London Jewish Community Centre, in recognition of the heroic rescue of 102 hostages held captive in Uganda by pro-Palestinian hijackers.

Miriam Ziev, vice-consul of the Israeli Consulate in Toronto, was guest speaker. She expressed hope to over 150 people in the audience that perhaps international terrorism would now be dealt with by a world body dedicated to putting an end to senseless acts of terror.

Cantor Joseph Freiman of Congregation Or Shalom sang a mourners song in honor of those people who perished in the rescue mission. Rabbi Israel Kestenbaum of Congregation Beth Tefilah, read Psalm 118 which uniquely comments on this occasion. Gerald Klein, president of the London Jewish Community Council, offered his community's congratulations.

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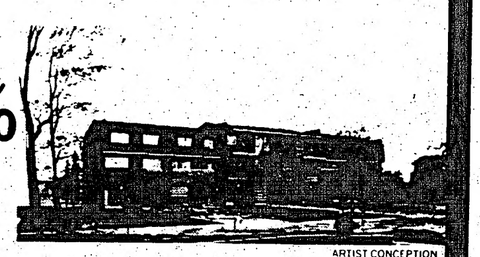

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Arts

British actress Maggie Smith (left), is the highlight attraction at this year's Stratford Festival. She stars as Millamant in "The Way of the World." With her is Tony Van Bridge as Sir Wilfull Witwould and Mia Anderson as Mrs. Fainall.

Restoration play lacks wit, pacing, irony; Maggie Smith fails to save flat production

theatre

By JENIVA BERGER

STRATFORD —

Who would have thought the illustrious Maggie Smith could fail to save William Congreve's **The Way of the World,** a play which seemed to be designed in heaven to show that lady's special talents for the Restoration stage.

The sad fact is that Stratford's season opener under Robin Phillips' direction seems contrived to play against the very rhythm of Restoration and in doing so juggles the actors' styles against one another — to the extent that almost total fluidity is lost.

Thus, we have those supreme prototypes of Restoration comedy, the vain city drawing room-women, the fops, the libertine heroes and conniving heroines, metamorphasized into people from quite another period.

As one example, Lord Fainall and Mrs. Marwood, two prime parasites, both of whom take a delicious pride in their manoeuvring to outwit Fainall's rich Aunt, Lady Wishfort, into turning over her estate to them thereby cutting out her other relations, become dark arch villains from the later sentimental comedies.

Another example: Alan Scarfe who plays Fainall and Jeremy Brett as Mirabel, Congreve's men-about-town who introduce us to the realities of the way of the world in the first scene, give us dialogue that smacks of Chekovian subtext. They feed us so many interminably pregnant pauses that one literally sits forward in the seat trying to extract some breath of life from the proceedings on stage. After two acts, it becomes an endurance test.

Small wonder that one expects, and unfairly, miraculous salvaging from Maggie Smith as Millimant and Jessica Tandy as Lady Wishfort. Both actesses are quite special in their approach to Restoration comedy and deserve no small measure of applause for their efforts in this production.

Maggie Smith, who plays one of the most individualistic women in 17th century comedy, can take a very straightforward piece of dialogue such as "I will endure you" in the famous contract scene when she agrees to Mirabel's proposal of marriage, and turn it into a triumph of resignation, apprehension, and vulnerability.

No glossy heroine her, but a lady whose strength and weaknesses are reconciled magnificently with the expectations of a rigid society. Miss Smith makes Millimant as believable as Miss Tandy does the social uptight Lady Wishfort whose private perversions must be kept under wraps at all costs.

Tandy gives a generosity of spirit to Lady Wishfort along with the temper tantrums; a compassion that Congreve wished for his social butterflies rather than outward contempt.

But interpretations aside, no matter how right Tandy and Smith in their directions, or for that matter Tony van Bridge as Sir Wilful Witwould, a country gentleman whose natural humanity outstrips the correct but meretricious behavior of his urban cousins, or Jan Kudelka as the ambitious servant, Foible, or Jackie Burroughs splendid cameo role as Mincing, something very unfortunate happend with **The Way of the World.** It was an unalterable bore.

Verbal dexterity was exchanged for deep meanings and spaces of silence, and the tremendously important attitudinizing that Restoration characters must assume to portray fixed conventions became a series of psychological studies.

And with it all came a loss of wit, irony, and pacing, an indispensable trio when it comes to a successful rendering of this most glorious comedy.

In a brief, lucid, candid fashion, Yiddish writer Bashevis Singer discusses his boyhood years

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

A Little Boy In Search Of God, By Isaac Bashevis Singer and Ira Moskowitz

Renowned story teller and dauntless explorer into the dark side of human consciousness, Isaac Bashevis Singer, has been twice winner of the national book award. He is the most honored Yiddish writer of our time. From his unceasing pen have flowed more than a dozen novels and collections of short stories.

This charming reminiscence, subtitled **Mysticism in a Personal Light,** is a kind of sequel or addendum to **In My Father's House,** his earlier autobiographical volume. In a manner that is brief, candid and lucid, the author writes of those persons and ideas that molded the earlier years of his life.

Born into a milieu of piety and tradition, stemming from many generations of rabbis, chassidim and cabalists, drunk with legends and tales of miracles and messianic expectation, the little boy sought meaning to ultimate questions. He enquired of his elders and swallowed books. What did the philosophers teach about good and evil and the mystery of human suffering? Was Spinoza with his cold, analytical approach to the meaning of God to be preferred to the warm and accepting doctrines of the rabbis? Why did a good God allow war and pogroms? Why did his brother have to flee the cruel authorities who were anxious to force him into the army?

Growing up in Poland just before, during and after the First World War, the bewildered lad, moved by great currents beyond his control and comprehension, buffeted by religious and social storms, came to see the world as "one huge slaughterhouse" bereft of hope or meaning. Yet his belief in God was abiding and ineluctable.

Along the way Singer imparts vignettes of some of the literary and political controversies of the troubled era; an appraisal of Hillel and Aaron Zeitlin, two giant literary figures of the time, and his growing awareness of mystical literature and the influence of the occult in human life.

In young manhood the restless Isaac establishes a strange, intimate relationship with a sex-and-death-obsessed woman twice his age. Her bizarre suggestion to the impressionable author must be kept as a surprise for the curious reader.

The numerous illustrations by the well-known American artist Ira Moskowitz (many of them full page and in color) add meaning and beauty to the book.

All in all this is a handsome and memorable addition to the Singer canon.

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The following is a list of some recent acquisitions at the Jewish Public Library of Toronto: Alinsky's Diamond by Tom McHale, Long Live Columbus by Harry Golden, A Home for the Heart by Bruno Bettelheim, A Man Possessed by Nat Morris, A Treasure-Trove of American Jewish Humor by Henry D. Spalding, A Tale of Three Wishes by I.B. Singer (children's), Ha-rishimah ha-sodit by Michael Barak (Hebrew), Shavim ve-Shavim Yoter by Sammy Michael (Hebrew), Ke'ish Gevurato by Yehudah Haezrahi (Hebrew), Di Velt Fun Mare Chagall by Itzhak Elchanan Ronch (Yiddish), Esseyen Un Zykhroynes by J. Grossman (Yiddish).

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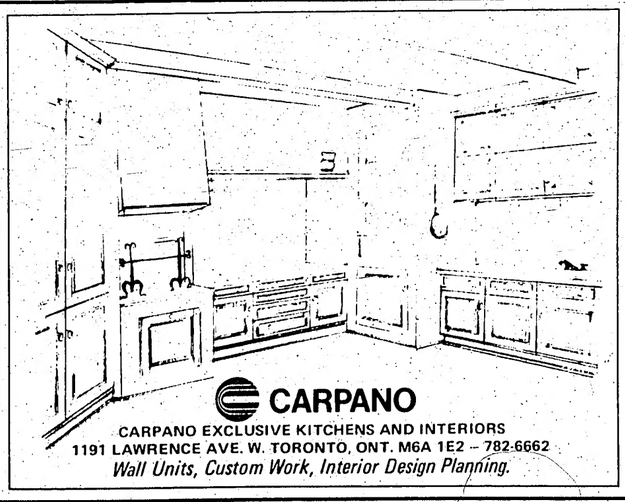
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